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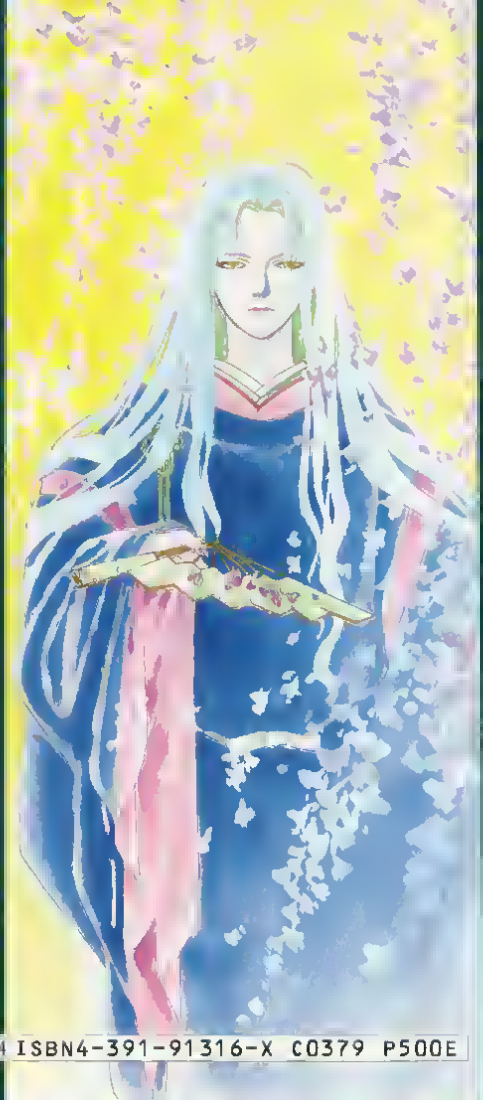
This is Akino, who is terrifically bad with occult and horror, but who, due to editorial wheedling, began to draw this series, which is now in its third year already. It was very long, and it went by in a flash.. is what I feel like.



On the surface, he is a substitute science teacher. However, in fact, he works with the spirit world. We are about to witness the appearance of Tokiwa Kanenaril!

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The Psychic Business Corporation

SPIRIT WORLD EMPLOYEE 1

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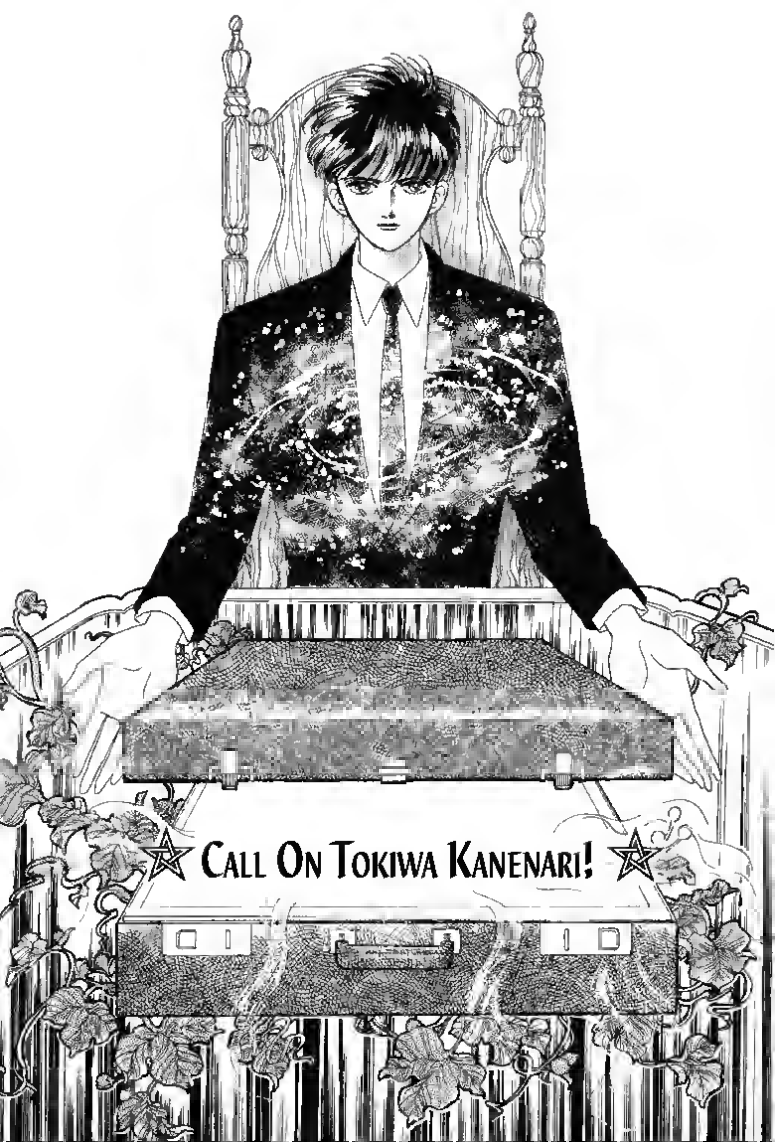

CALL ON TOKIWA KANENARI!

HERE IS THE MONEY FROM THE CONTRACT
YOU WILL RECEIVE THE REST WHEN MY GRANDDAUGHTER YUKARI HAS MADE IT PAST HER SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY IN SAFETY
TOKIWA PURIFY SERVICE
GIVES QUICK RESULTS, HONEST ACCOUNTING, AND COMPLETE AFTERCARE
PLEASE DON'T WORRY. MY BUSINESS NOT ONLY BOASTS THE BEST GRADES IN ITS FIELD, IT ALSO..
LEAVE IT TO TOKIWA KANENARI

LONG, LONG AGO, IN A CASTLE BUILT ON A HILL, COMMANDING A VIEW OF A LAKE
THERE LIVED A PRINCESS WITHOUT EQUAL
THE DRAGON-GOD WHO LIVED IN THE LAKE CAME TO CLAIM THE PRINCESS AS HIS BRIDE
HOWEVER, WHEN SHE REACHED THE AGE OF SIXTEEN
AND THAT PRINCESS NARROWLY ESCAPED HER ORDEAL HOWEVER
THE DRAGON WAS SUNK TO THE BOTTOM OF THE LAKE BY THE HIGH PRIEST OF THAT TIME
THEY SAY THAT, EVER SINCE THEN, WHEN A PRINCESS BORN IN THAT CASTLE TURNS SIXTEEN, THE DRAGON-GOD AWAKENS AND COMES TO CARRY HER OFF
AND THIS TIME WHEN ITS DAUGHTER TURNS SIXTEEN, TRUE TO THE WORLD
Creeeeeeaak
TODAY A SCHOOL STANDS ON THE RUINS OF THAT CASTLE

WSSSSSH...
Hah!
katsunk
thud
BOYS ARE BANNED FROM TOUJOU ACADEMY, YOU'VE GOT SOME IMPRESSIVE COURAGE, BEING HERE IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.
...BUT TO BE HERE WITHOUT GREETING HER GRACE YUKARI?

TRUE TO THE WORLD, A PRINCESS ---!?
AH-HA-HA, AHM, THANKS
THI THIS GIRL IS ----?
HMM
I WONDER HOW MANY YEARS IT'S BEEN SINCE A MAN THIS YOUNG CAME HERE
YOUR GRACE, THERE WAS A REPORT ABOUT A NEW PROFESSOR COMING
HEY, NEWBIE! TOUJOU YUKARI-SAMA CONTROLS THIS SCHOOL GREET HER PROPERLY!
YOUR HEAD'S TOO HIGH
SWISH!
THE PRINCESS HERSELF HAS COME TO MEET ME
WELL, WELL

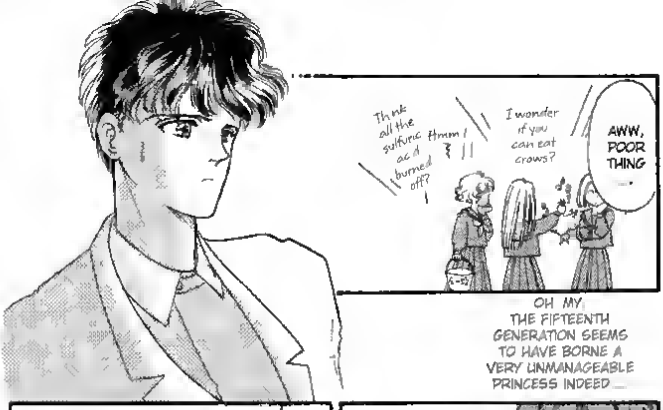
.....
YOUR GRACE?
WHAT'S THE MATTER!?
snort
I NOW KNOW THE SENSATION OF ULTIMATE DELIGHT
THEY'RE ALL JUST SALARY-MAN TEACHERS ...!!
THAT GUY, THIS GUY ...
YOUR GRACE, PLEASE WAIT!
YOUR GRACE YUKARI!?

--AND NOW THE RESULTS OF THE EXPERI-MENT.
WHAT WAS THE GAS THAT MANI-FESTED?

TOUJOU -KUN
mutter...
TOKIWA YOU SLIME!!
clatter
FLAP!
OR IS IT THAT SHE DOESN'T KNOW THE ANSWER?
ISN'T TOUJOU YUKARI PRESENT?
YOU-- GIRLS, DON'T-- DON'T RESORT TO VIOLENCE! VIOLENCE ISN'T
DON'T RUN FOR THE HALL!
mutter
JUST WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE TALKING TO LIKE THAT!

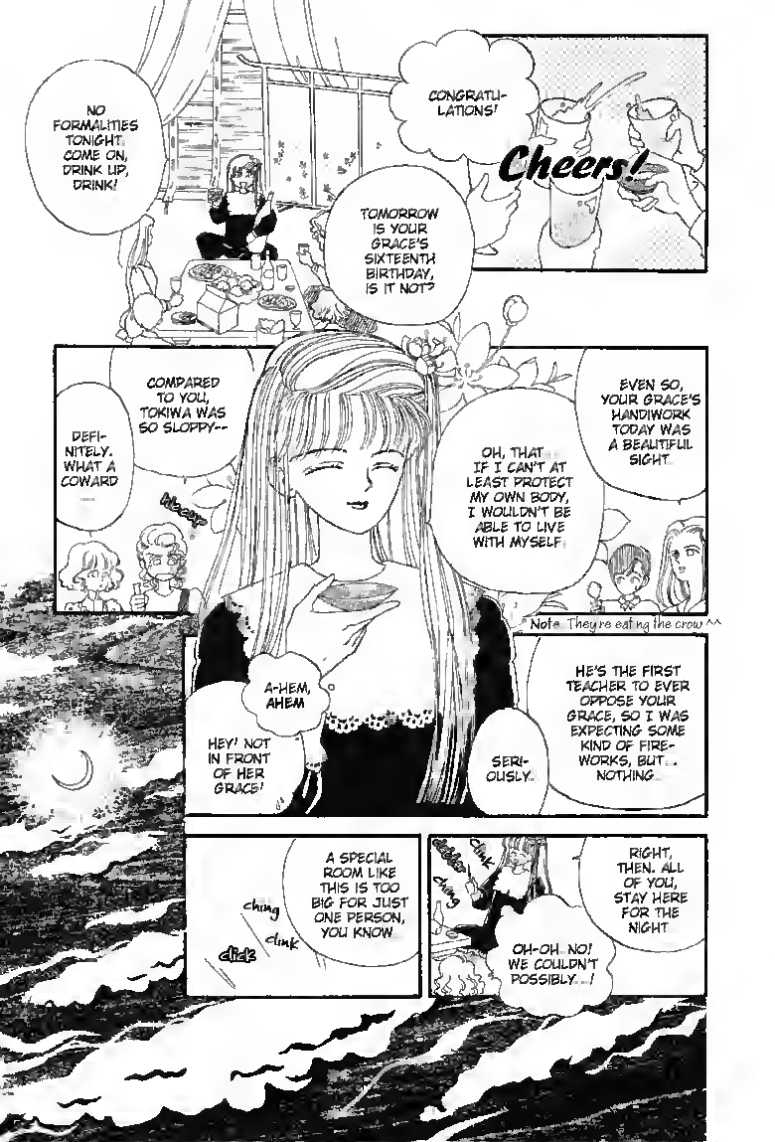
SHATTER
YOUR GRACE !?
KYAAAAAAA!
clatter
Flap
Flap
Flap
NOOO! DON'T COME OVER HERE!
clatter
Flap Flap
Flap
A-A CROW !?
YOUR GRACE, LOOK OUT!
CRAAAAAAK
FWOOM
Flap
Flap
KYAAAAA!!
CRASH

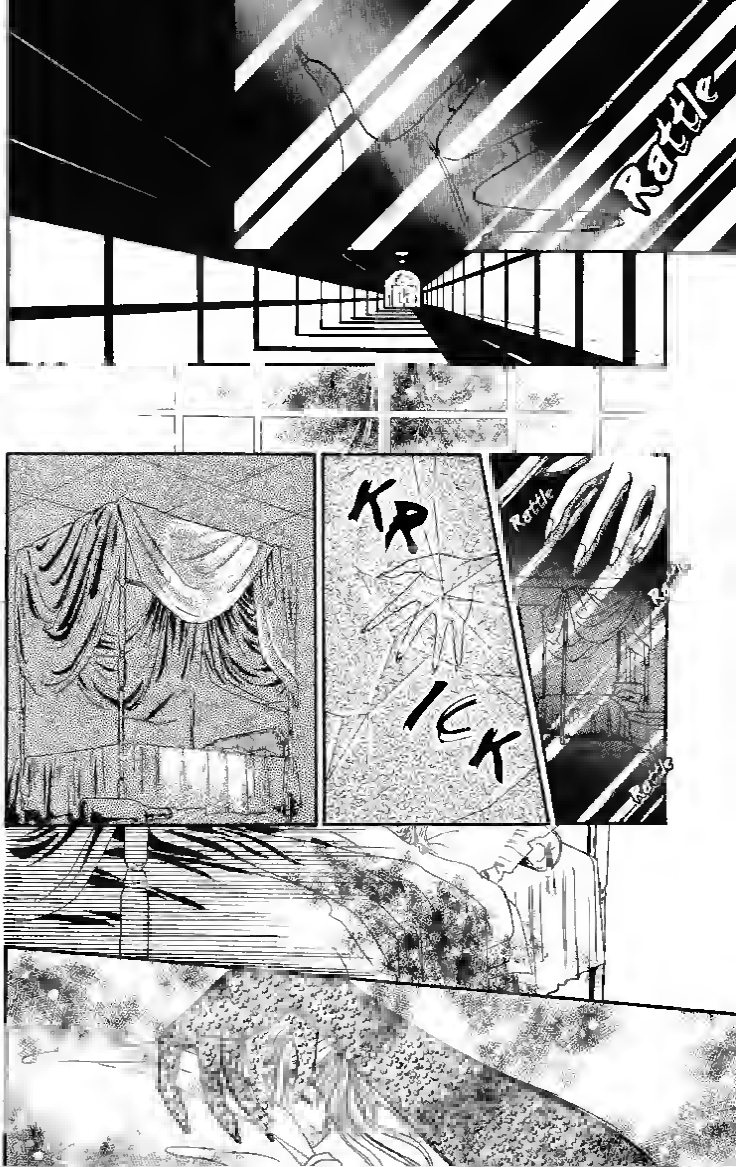
KA-THWACK!
AT TIMES LIKE THIS--
WHAT ONE REALLY NEEDS IS A SKEWER!!
KRIIII...
GRAAK!
GRIIK!
SOMEBODY GET A FIRE EXTINGUISHER!
YOUR GRACE, ARE YOU INJURED!?
Hyo!
Hmm?!
Fwo
Bonk!
WAUGH! IT'S BARBECUED CROW--
SENSEI, YOU'RE IN THE WAY!
Sqwk!
Sqwk!
Sqwk!
Sqwk!
.....


Think all the sulfuric acid burned off?
Hmm! ? ! !
I wonder if you can eat crows?
AWW, POOR THING
OH MY, THE FIFTEENTH GENERATION SEEMS TO HAVE BORNE A VERY UNMANAGEABLE PRINCESS INDEED...

THE PROMISED DAY..
IT REALLY WASN'T NECESSARY FOR ME TO VENTURE ALL THE WAY OUT HERE...
But then I went and accepted the advance money
O..
IF THIS IS HOW THINGS STAND

Note: His book's cover reads "Monthly Spirit World Supplement Secret! Manual How to Capture Dragons Tigers and others"


NO FORMALITIES TONIGHT. COME ON, DRINK UP, DRINK!
CONGRATULATIONS!
Cheers!
TOMORROW IS YOUR GRACE'S SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY, IS IT NOT?
COMPARED TO YOU, TOKIWA WAS SO SLOPPY--
DEFINITELY. WHAT A COWARD
Hooray!
OH, THAT... IF I CAN'T AT LEAST PROTECT MY OWN BODY, I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO LIVE WITH MYSELF.
EVEN SO, YOUR GRACE'S HANDIWORK TODAY WAS A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT...
Note: They're eating the crow ^^
A-HEM, AHEM
HEY! NOT IN FRONT OF HER GRACE!
SERIOUSLY...
HE'S THE FIRST TEACHER TO EVER OPPOSE YOUR GRACE, SO I WAS EXPECTING SOME KIND OF FIREWORKS, BUT... NOTHING...
A SPECIAL ROOM LIKE THIS IS TOO BIG FOR JUST ONE PERSON, YOU KNOW...
ching
clink
clink
RIGHT, THEN. ALL OF YOU, STAY HERE FOR THE NIGHT.
clink
clink
OH-OH. NO! WE COULDN'T POSSIBLY...!


Rattle
KR
ICK
Rattle
Rattle

squirm
drip
UH U
N
SNORE!
SNOOOR!
?
?
!
clank!
NIGHT-WATCH FLASH-LIGHT OF MYSTERY !!
Or not
.....
!!

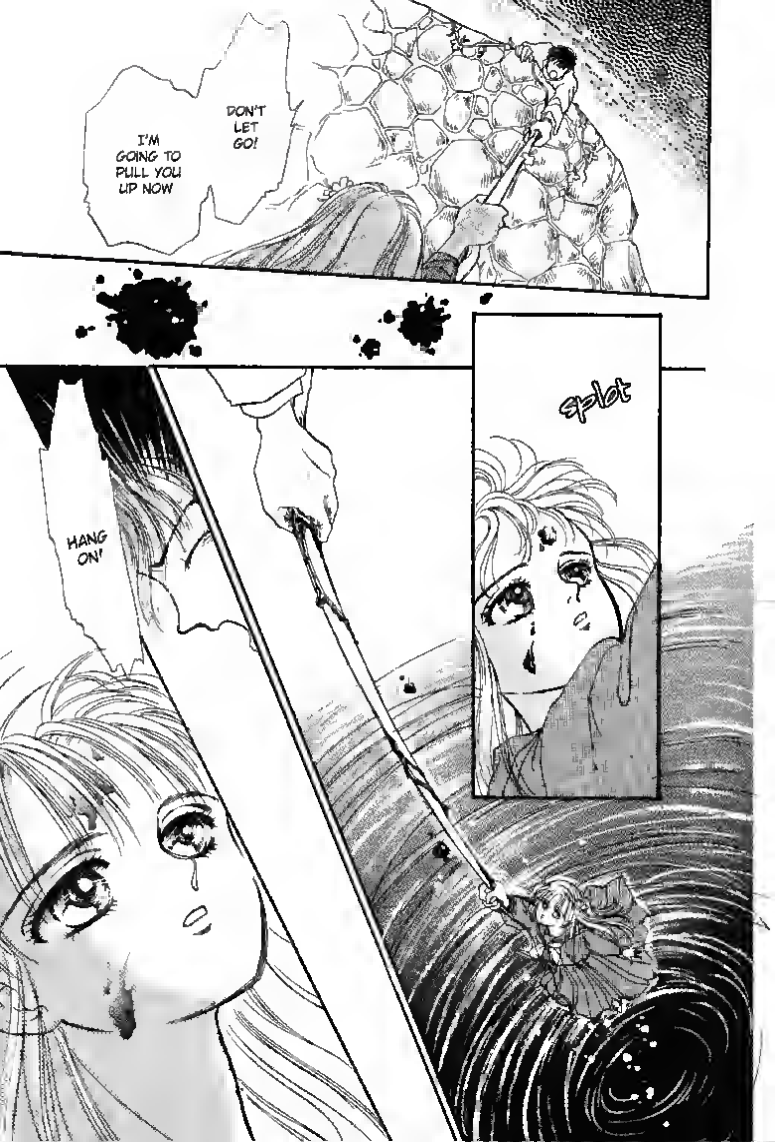
SLIP
I WON'T LET YOU GET AWAY!
I'm working overtime right now!
!!
crash
DAMN..
C'mon, c'mon, let's go!
rustle
Sigh
hiccup
I can't drink any more
Burp
!

...NOW FOR ATTEN-DANCE
1 - 5 CLASS
AH COME TO THINK OF IT, HER GRACE'S GROUP WENT OFF TOWARDS THE LAKE
THEY'RE REALLY NOT HERE...
AND THE OTHER FOUR... DOES ANY-ONE KNOW WHETHER THEY'RE HERE OR--
TAKA-SHIRO
HERE
TSUNO
HERE
TOU-JOU...
TOU-JOU?
THE LAKE !?
OF ALL PLACES

ON THE FIRST DAY OF HER SIXTEENTH YEAR.!!
HEY! YOU GIRLS!
Wonder how that window got broken
Looks like we got crazy during the night
Two days of being drunk My head hurts
Ugh
Ugh
COME BACK TO THE CLASS-ROOM!
TCH!
THE MAN NEVER LEARNS, DOES HE
LET'S SPLIT UP AND MAKE A RUN FOR IT

HONESTLY— IF ONLY I HADN'T ACCEPTED THE ADVANCE MONEY— THIS JOB!!
AH--HEY!
YOUR HIGH-NESS! YOU MUSTN'T GO THAT WAY!
AH-HA-HAH! GEEZER! OVER HERE!
crack
crumble
SKIP

clatter
clatter
clatter
splash
ERG-


I'M GOING TO PULL YOU UP NOW
DON'T LET GO!
splat
HANG ON!

Falling Down
YOUR HIGH-NESS YUKARI !?

SPLASH
PRIN-GESS!!
KA-SPLOT

honk
honk
honk
.....
.....
twitch
twitch
.....
HONESTLY! WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING!?
slp-slp-slp
That was shallow! wasn't it
slip
.....
IDIOT.
Burble
Burble

WHOOOOOOOM
FWOOOOOSH
...PRIN-CESS.
I'VE COME TO MEET YOU.

NOW... COME WITH ME, TO THE BOTTOM OF THE LAKE...
YEAH, RIGHT, TELL ME ANOTHER ONE!
WHO'S GOING WITH ...
TOKIWA !?
THOSE WON'T HAVE ANY EFFECT AGAINST HIM.
...YOU WRETCH. DO YOU INTEND TO GET IN MY WAY!?
SO HMM... HOW TO CAPTURE A DRAGON-GOD
I KNOW IT WAS IN THE MANUAL.

Translator's note This is homeless patter used to draw crowds by buskers who do tricks on street corners using the hi highe Tokiwa is holding

Crash
FWOOOSH
splosh
splosh
splosh
I SEE
TOKIWA !!
Plish
Plish

DRAG-ON-GOD!
SUB-SIDE!
KYA

Ka-sploosh
TASK ACCOMPLISHED
You're the one who was clinging to me!
SMACK
Just how long are you planning to hold onto me?!

YOU'VE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB
HERE IS THE REST OF THE MONEY, AS PROMISED
THEN, AS RECEIPT, PLEASE TAKE THIS
RESIGNATION
YOU REALLY
ARE COLD, AREN'T YOU.
WITHOUT EVEN A FAREWELL
TO HER GRACE YUKARI
THUNK
Call On Tokiwa Kanenari/End

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Reikan Shouhou Kabishikigaisha

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Translator's note/Point of interest:
She's changed the kanji, but "Tokiwa Kanenari" is a Japanese proverb that's - literally - "Time is as precious as gold"...
Or possibly, in English, "Time is money"...
In Tokiwa's case, the kanji for "Tokiwa" has been changed to "Eternity' ~)

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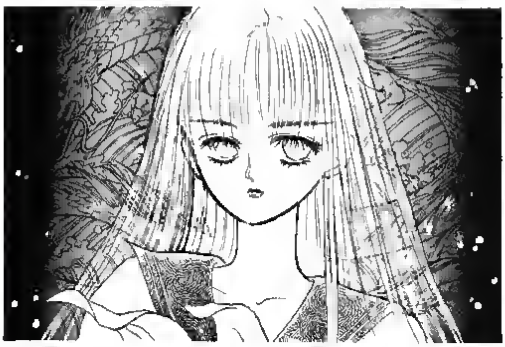

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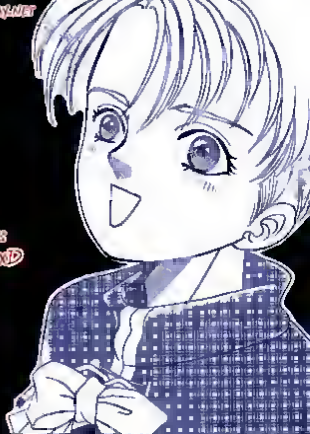

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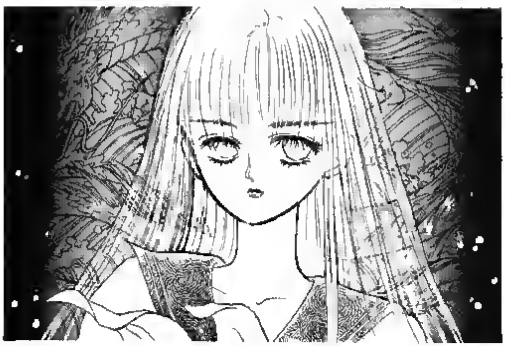


☆A Room With No Key☆

Kyaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa
THWOK

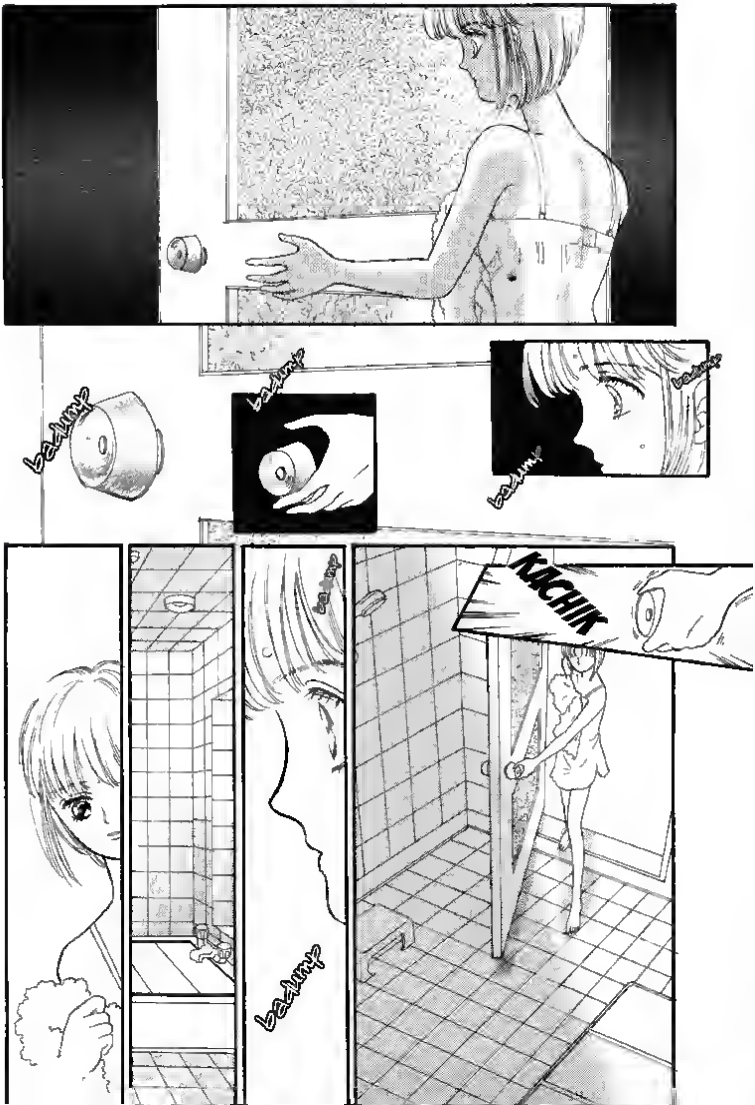
End

AH... I'M ALL THIRSTY
I WORK PART-TIME AS A SUBSTITUTE SCIENCE TEACHER AND HOMEROOM TEACHER
LET'S GET SOME TEA
TOKIWA-SENSEI, DID YOU WATCH EVERY-THING?
AWW! THAT WASN'T SCARY AT ALL.
HA-HA-HA... ER-MOSTLY.
IT LOOKS AS THOUGH I'VE BEEN PICKED UP BY SOME OF MY MIDDLE-SCHOOL STUDENTS
SO I'M TOKIWA KANENARI THE PSYCHIC BUSINESS CORPORATION'S PRESIDENT AND IT'S SOLE EMPLOYEE, AND

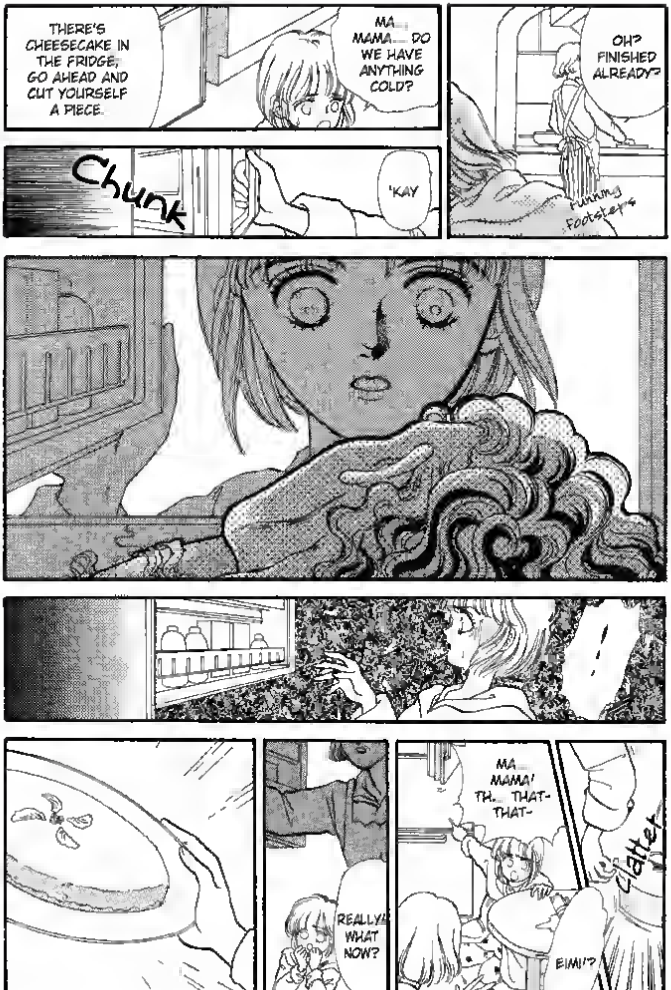
WHAT'S THE MATTER? HURRY UP!
EIMI?
THERE'S THIS PLACE A LITTLE WAYS FROM HERE THAT HAS REALLY GOOD CAKE!
Well I suppose
COME ON, COME ON, HURRY!
THE SPECIAL EFFECTS AND EVERY-THING WERE TOTALLY FAKE
BUT IT WAS SUCH A CORNY MOVIE!
BUT
No way! Are you seriously crying!?
The girl is shaking!
HIH
HUH
BUT
HUH
IF THE WORLD WERE MADE UP OF PEOPLE LIKE HER, THEN MY BUSINESS WOULD PROBABLY BE A BIT MORE PROSPEROUS.
SORRY TO MAKE YOU WAIT.
Was this your first horror movie?
THE GHOST OF THE MONASTERY
AND NOW THIS COMES UP
BUT THERE WAS ONE CHILD WHO WAS TRULY FRIGHTENED
It's a B movie horror flick.

sniff
scrub
smile
Come on Aren't you ashamed?
Your face is running
I... I THINK I'LL GO HOME NOW
EIMI!?
I'M SOR RY
Sat
HER TEAR ...?
...WAS IT MY IMAGINATION ?
AH. YES
WELL THEN, IT'LL BE JUST US!
That's okay I guess
SHE'S NO FUN AT ALL!
GEEZ

Ding-dooong
EIMI-CHAN?
KACHIK
I-I'M HOME
THAT WAS QUICK, WASN'T IT
YOU WENT TO SEE A MOVIE WITH YOUR FRIENDS. DIDN'T YOU? WAS IT INTERESTING?
UH-YEAH. KINDA
THAT'S NICE. WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A BATH BEFORE PAPA COMES HOME?
click
BE SURE TO CHECK THE TEM-PERATURE BEFORE YOU GET IN
UM. OKAY.
A BATH. BATH.
EH?


badump
badump
badump
badump
KACHIK
badump

Kyaaaaaaaaaa
キャーーー！
Ha
Ha
Ha
OH, DID YOU? BE CARE-FUL! HON-ESTLY ...
I-IT'S NOTHING- I-- I JUST SLIPPED A LITTLE-
WHAT HAPPENED!? OPEN THE DOOR!
EIMI-CHAN!?
thinking face
CLANG

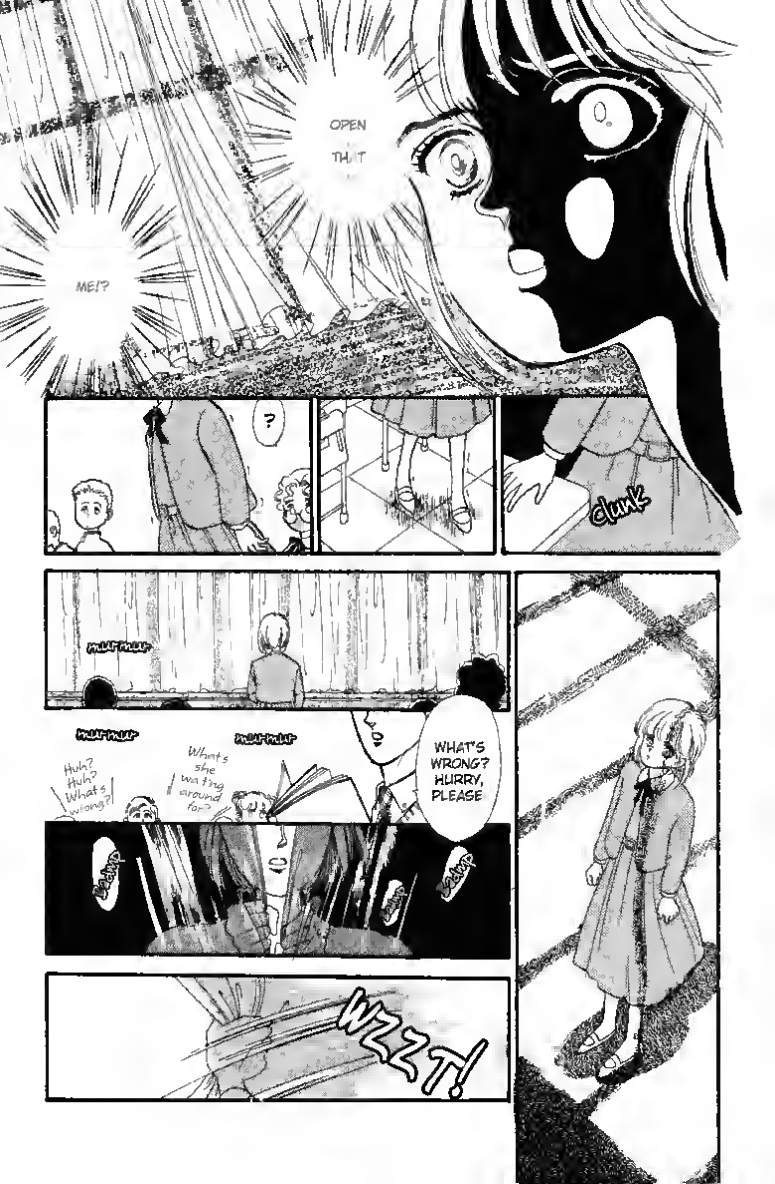

THERE'S CHEESECAKE IN THE FRIDGE, GO AHEAD AND CUT YOURSELF A PIECE.
MA... MAMA... DO WE HAVE ANYTHING COLD?
OH? FINISHED ALREADY?
Yummy Footsteps
Chunk
'KAY
!
MA... MAMA! TH... THAT- THAT-
Clatter
REALLY? WHAT NOW?
EIMI!?

Vacuum
Vacuum
Vacuum
I'M GOING TO BED
EIMI ?
NO... NO, THAT'S OKAY I DON'T WANT DINNER, EITHER
Search
IT'S ALMOST DINNERTIME, SO JUST A SMALL PIECE
OPEN
Click
JUST LIKE ALWAYS
I'VE GOT TO OPEN IT.
IT'S THE SAME DOOR AS ALWAYS... ISN'T IT.
A DOOR
Sqlvirt

SPURT
SPRAY
IT'S NOT ---!?
GLUB
GLUB
WA WATER ---?
GLUB
NO WAY ------
BLOOD !?
NOOOOOO!!
CRASH
!!
CHOKE
FWOOM
...UG ....
SLIP

KA!
Hah-
rub
rub
scrub
rub
scrub
MORN-ING!
Good morning!

MORNING
EIMI...?
.....
WHAT HAPPENED?
YOU LOOK REALLY BAD.
YEAH I KINDA COULDN'T SLEEP LAST NIGHT
AW, NO! IT WASN'T BECAUSE OF THAT MOVIE, WAS IT?
EIMI, YOU'RE SUCH A COWARD!
Even though you don't look like it
Kyahaha! Okay, then Next time we're going to a comedy!
LISTEN, AFTER YOU LEFT, TOKIWA-SENSEI...
Giggle Giggle
HERE.
AH...
EIMI HEY, EIMI!
.....
AH- WHO IS TODAY'S CLASS OFFICER?
Shiota
clatter clatter
Oh Spirit of the dew!
murmur
All fine
clatter
EH!?
OPEN THAT CURTAIN


OPEN THAT
ME!?
?
clunk
MUFFMUFF
MUFFMUFF
MUFFMUFF
Huh? Huh? What's wrong?
What's she waiting around for?
WHAT'S WRONG? HURRY, PLEASE
WZZT!

.....
Huh
Huh
YE-YES
HURRY AND SIT DOWN
Kay
UEDA, YOU READ
NOW, IF YOU'D OPEN TO PAGE 65
slam
flip
flip

IF I LOOK CLOSELY... LOOK ONE MORE TIME...
OR ... OR MAYBE, THIS IS JUST ANOTHER ILLUSION?
AH... I CAN'T OPEN IT!!
E- ENOUGH ALREADY!!
Science 3
THUD!
NO WAY !!
WHAT?
WHAT IS IT? ARE YOU FEELING ILL?
EIMI?
IN... IN THE BOOK...
MUMMUR
Quiet down!
Hush, keep it down
whispers
giggle
giggle
HERE
Huh?
What now?

ba-dump
badmp
SQUEEZE
BDMP
BDMP
ba-dump
BDMP
ba-dump
BDMP
BDMP
badmp
EIMI!!
Clank
I. I'M FINE
SERI-OUSLY, ARE YOU FEELING OKAY?
MM.
YOU WERE TOTALLY OUT OF IT.
WHAT WAS WRONG WITH YOU TODAY?
Clank Clack
WAIT UP!
LET'S GO HOME TOGETHER

GRAB
AAAAAA
SLAM
EIMI!?
WHAT'S THE MATTER!?
YOU KLUTZ! DID YOU PINCH YOUR HAND?
ARE YOU OKAY?
WANNA GO TO THE INFIRMARY?
YOUR HAND YEAH, SEE? IT'S ALL RED!

EIMI!?
EIMI
.....

MM... THAT REALLY ISN'T IN MY JURISDICTION, THOUGH.
SINCE THEN, EIMI'S SO JUMPY IT'S LIKE SHE CAN BARELY OPEN HER EYES. SHE STAYS AT HOME AND SLEEPS ALL THE TIME.
DON'T SAY THAT!

BUT WE SAW IT TOO! THERE WAS A BRUISE SHAPED LIKE A HAND ON EIMI'S WRIST!
AND SHE'S BEEN STRANGE SINCE THE DAY SHE SAW THAT HORROR MOVIE WITH US.
THE MOVIE
IN THAT CASE, IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR A NEUROLOGIST OR A SPECIALIST TO LOOK AT HER THAN FOR ME TO...
—COULD IT POSSIBLY BE—!
Eft
HELP EIMI!
PLEASE!
WE'RE SERIOUS!
SENSEI!!
BAM
—WELL, FOR NOW, WHY DON'T I GO LOOK AT HER.

Th's way th's way!
TAKIWA Sensei hurry!
Stagger
AAH I MAY HAVE PICKED ANOTHER JOB THAT DOESN'T PAY
Thanks for the food!
Kaching
That comes to 1,800 Yen.
THAT'S EIMI'S APARTMENT BUILDING
WAIT, WE'RE COMING TOO!
YE YES, BUT...
EIMI-KUN LIVES ON THE TOP FLOOR, DOESN'T SHE
Dash
TOKIWA-SENSEI!?
LOOKS LIKE IT'S NOT LOCKED...
Ka-chk
THE KEY ...?

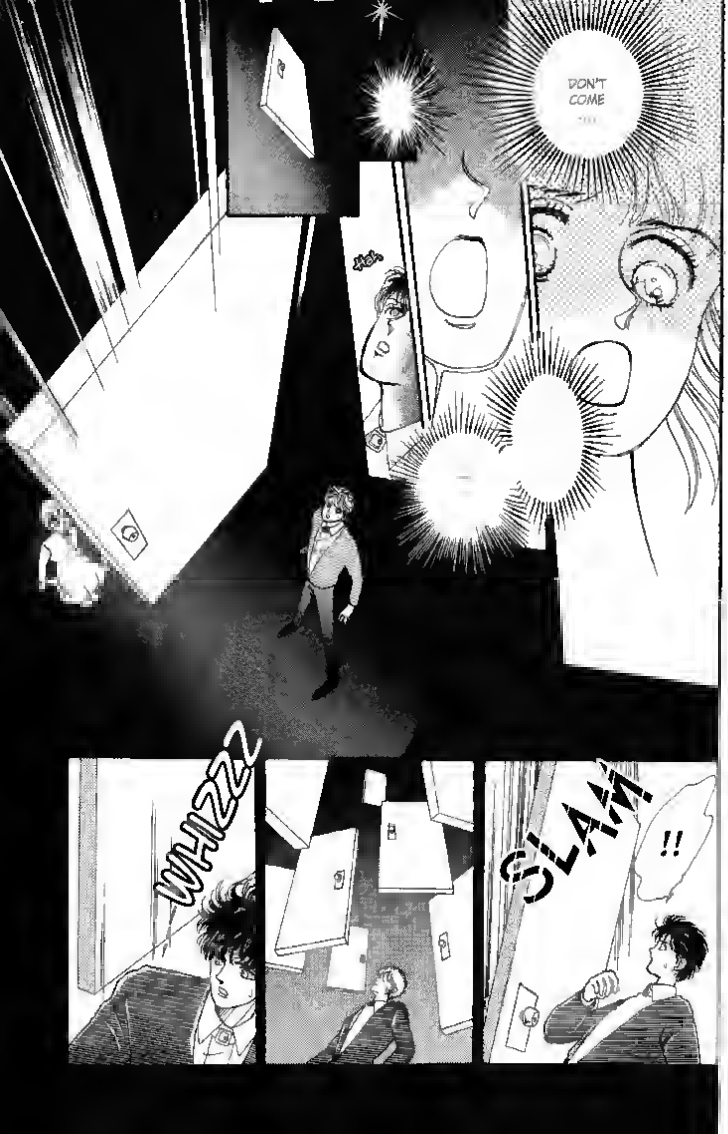
KYA!!
SOMEHOW, THIS SEEMS TO BE MY KIND OF JOB...
WAIT
CA--CALL THE POLICE

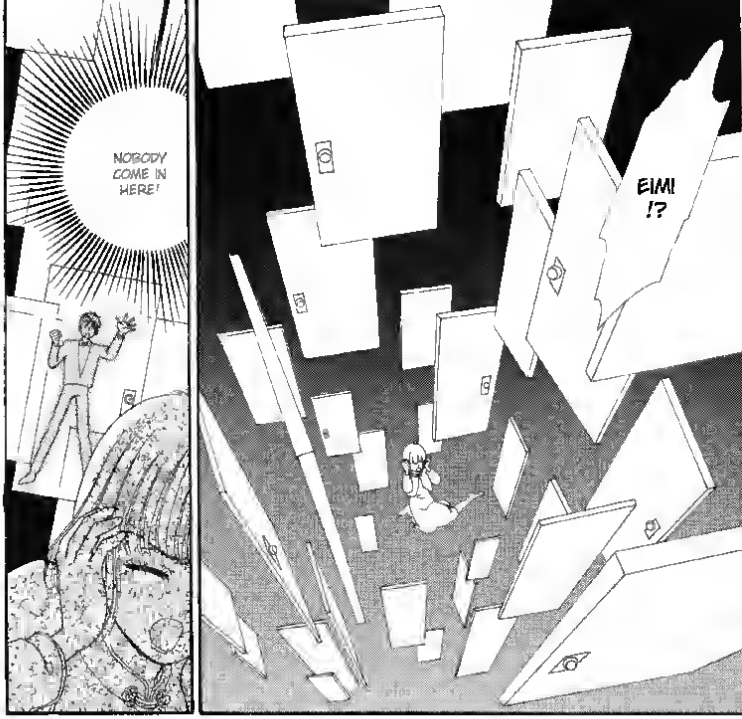
tunk
tunk
tunk
tunk
tunk
COMING...
EIMI.
EIMI-KUN, YOU'RE THERE, AREN'T YOU.
WHO IS IT!?
SOME-BODY'S COMING
THIS HASN'T HAPPENED BEFORE...
Ka-chik
EIMI-KUN.
DON'T OPEN IT!!
HEY...
!!
EIMI...

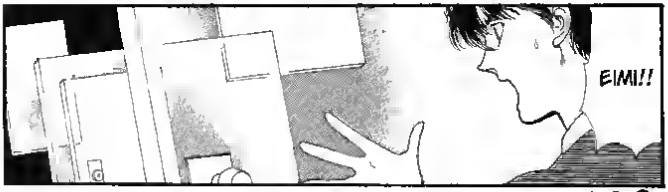
*SFX WHOOOOOM

No I didn't get lazy, I'm just going blind with all these SFXs. X_x
Scarlet

...NOW THEN...
THAT'S QUITE THE WELCOME.
OH, MY
COME ...
DON'T COME CLOSER!
DON'T COME!
I CAME TO HELP YOU...
EIMI-KUN.
LIAR!!
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE AFRAID
...!!
!!
EIMI

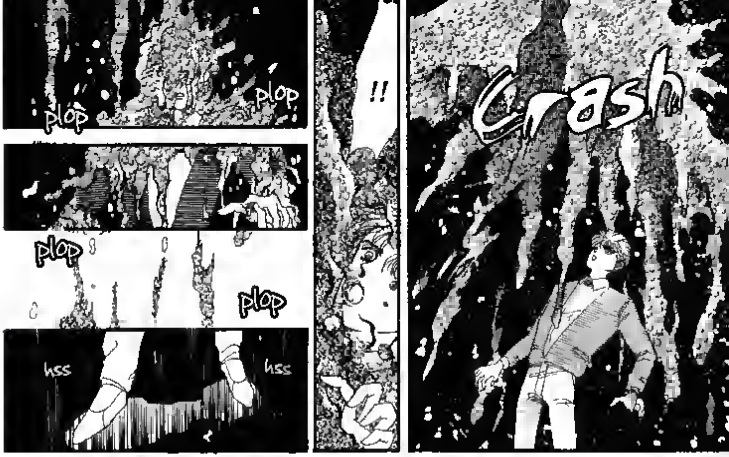

DON'T COME
WHIZZZ
SLAM!
!!

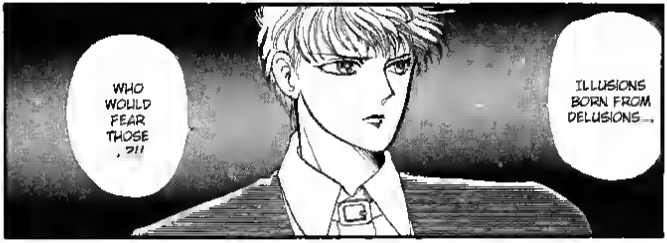

NOBODY COME IN HERE!
EIMI !?

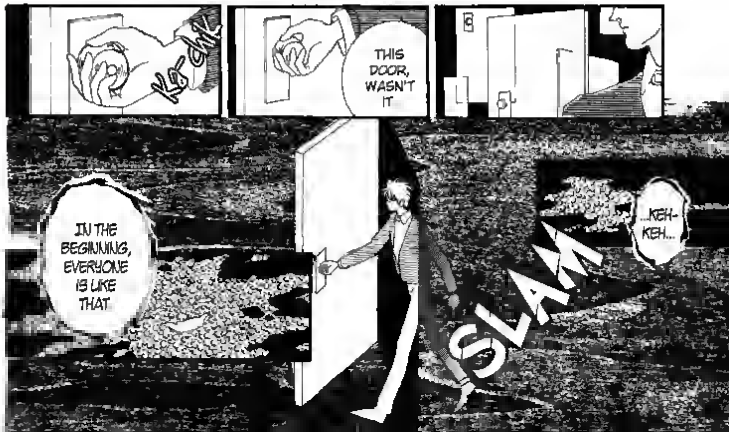

EIMI!!

IT'S USELESS, TOKIWA.
KE-KE-KEH..

Keh-
Keh-
Keh
SHE CAN'T LEAVE THAT ROOM ANY MORE
...FROM THE HORROR MOVIE...
SO IT IS YOU? THE NIGHTMARE ILLUSIONS
ILLU-SIONS !?
NIGHT-MARE !?
Keh-
Keh-
Keh
EVEN THOUGH, TO BEGIN WITH, YOUR BODY IS LESS THAN DUST...
...YOU FEED OFF OF A PERSON'S DREAMS AND DELUSIONS, AND GROW FAT AS A NIGHT-MARE
YES, AND
...MY PAR-TICULAR FAVORITE IS 'TERROR'.


plop
plop
plop
plop
hss
hss
!!
Crash

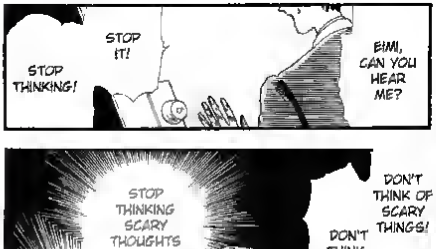

WHO WOULD FEAR THOSE ...?!!
ILLUSIONS BORN FROM DELUSIONS...


Ka-chik
THIS DOOR, WASN'T IT
IN THE BEGINNING, EVERYONE IS LIKE THAT
...KEH-KEH...
SLAM

...DON'T
ker-chik
A MOMENT'S ILLUSION CAN BE BOUND TO REALITY.
TRIVIAL UNEASE BREED'S HALLUCINATIONS.
slam
slam
ker-chik
...AND IT BECOMES REAL.
DESTROY HIS BODY
DON'T OPEN IT....!!
...AGH...!!
YOU MUSTN'T OPEN IT!!
I'VE COME TO HELP YOU!
EIMI-KUN!
AUSSSH
WUZZA
UG-
ker-ker-ker
ko-ooo
IT ACTUALLY CHANGED!!
IT'S NOT AN ILLU-SION!?

AN ENDLESS, EXPANDING WORLD OF ILLUSIONS.
THAT UNREASONING TERROR THAT ALL HUMANS HOLD.

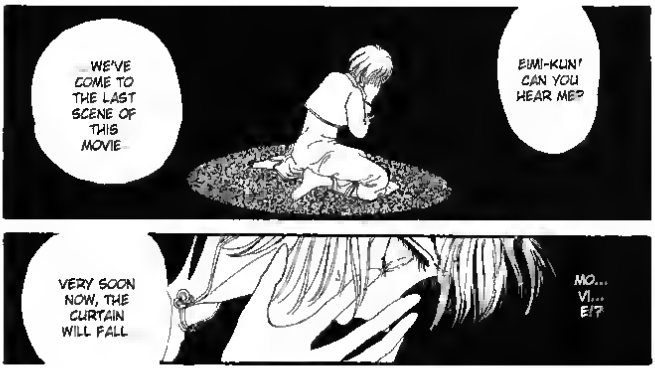
I SEE


STOP IT!
STOP THINKING!
EIMI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

STOP THINKING SCARY THOUGHTS!?
STOP THINKING...!?
DON'T THINK OF SCARY THINGS!
DON'T THINK OF ANYTHING!

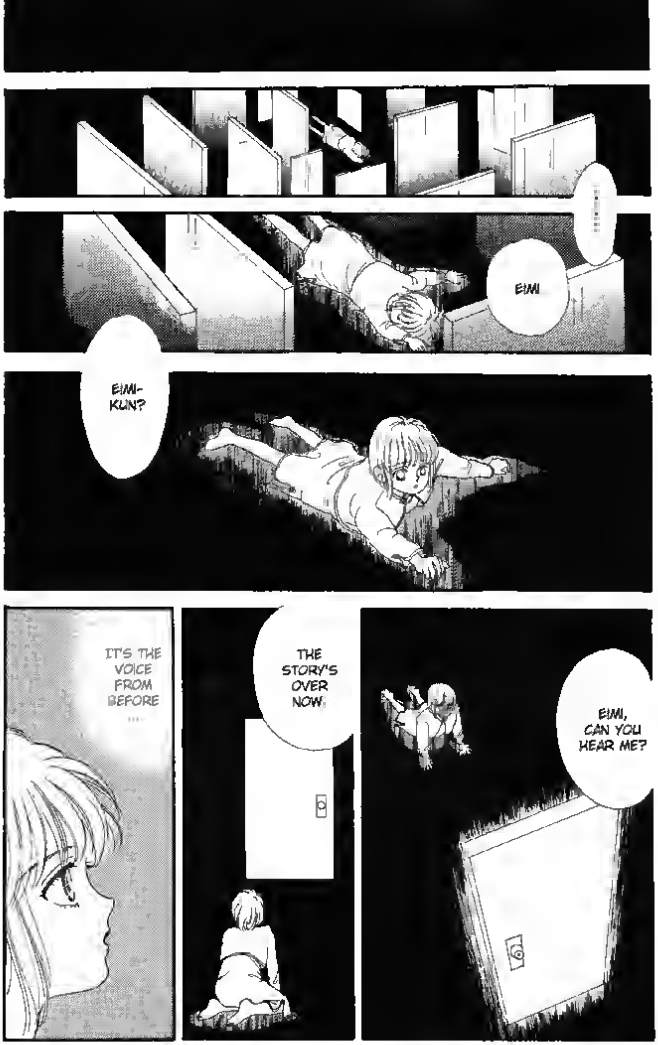
ALL SHE HAS TO DO IS THINK IT
AND EVERYTHING ON THIS EARTH WILL BE DEVOURED.

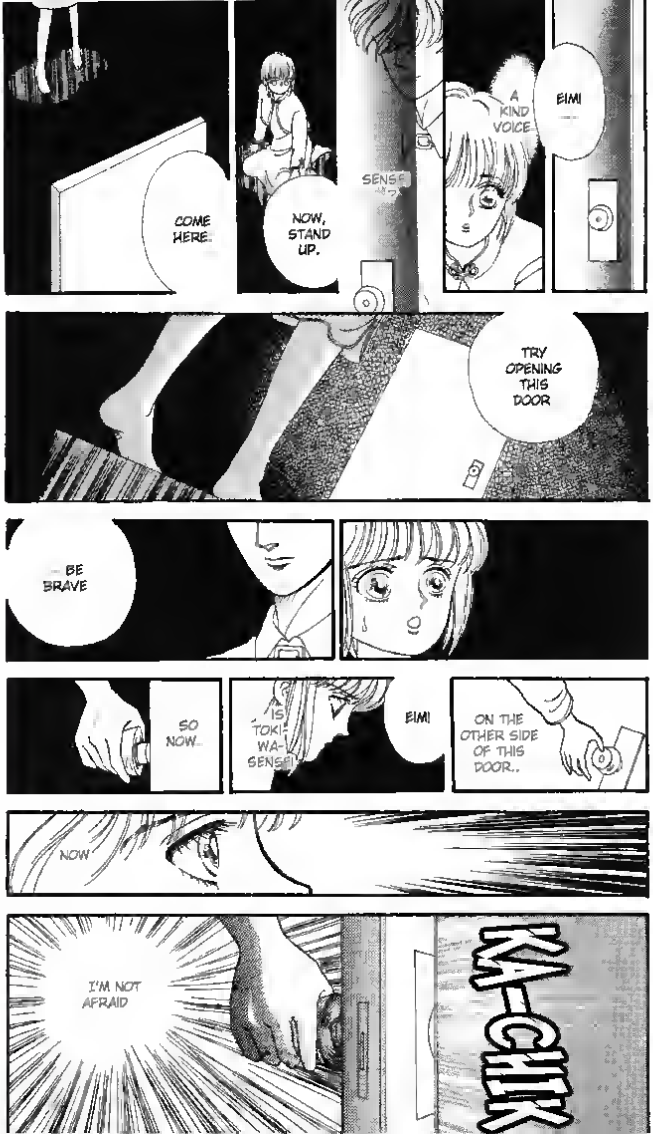
I CAN'T! IT'S NOT POSSIBLE!
STOP THINKING...
I CAN'T STOOOOOP!!
IF THINGS KEEP ON THIS WAY...
DAMN IT! THAT THING'S POWER IS GROWING FAST
THAT'S. I'M SURE IT'S...

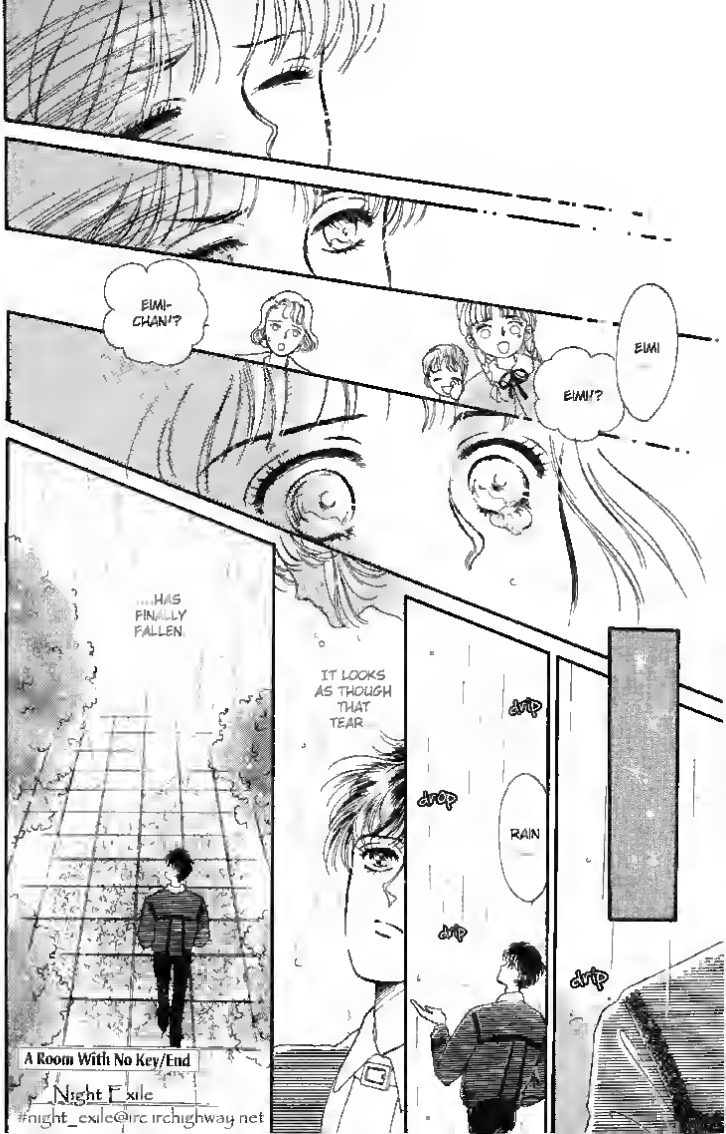

WE'VE COME TO THE LAST SCENE OF THIS MOVIE
EIMI-KUN! CAN YOU HEAR ME?
VERY SOON NOW, THE CURTAIN WILL FALL
MO... VI... EI?

...
AND LOOK- THIS IS THE EXCALIBUR FROM BACK THEN.
REMEMBER IT CLEARLY WHILE YOU'RE WATCH- ING THIS THE LAST SCENE OF "THE GHOST OF THE MONASTERY".
NOW THEN, EIMI! WHERE IS THIS THING'S WEAK POINT!?
THE EVIL SPIRIT'S WEAK POINT
"THE VITAL PART"!?
THE- THE STAR!
THE STAR ON ITS FORE- HEAD!

GYAAAAAAAA
CLENCH
?


EIMI
EIMI-KUN?
IT'S THE VOICE FROM BEFORE ....
THE STORY'S OVER NOW.
EIMI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?


EIMI
A KIND VOICE
SENSE
COME HERE.
NOW, STAND UP.
TRY OPENING THIS DOOR
BE BRAVE
EIMI
IS TOKI-WA-SENSE
ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS DOOR..
SO NOW..
NOW
I'M NOT AFRAID
KA-CHIK


EIMI-CHAN!?
EIMI
EIMI!?
...HAS FINALLY FALLEN.
IT LOOKS AS THOUGH THAT TEAR
drop
drop
RAIN
drop
drop
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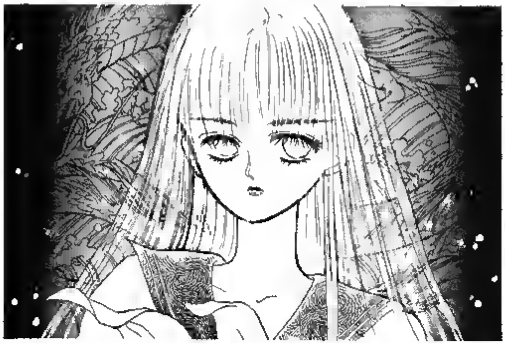

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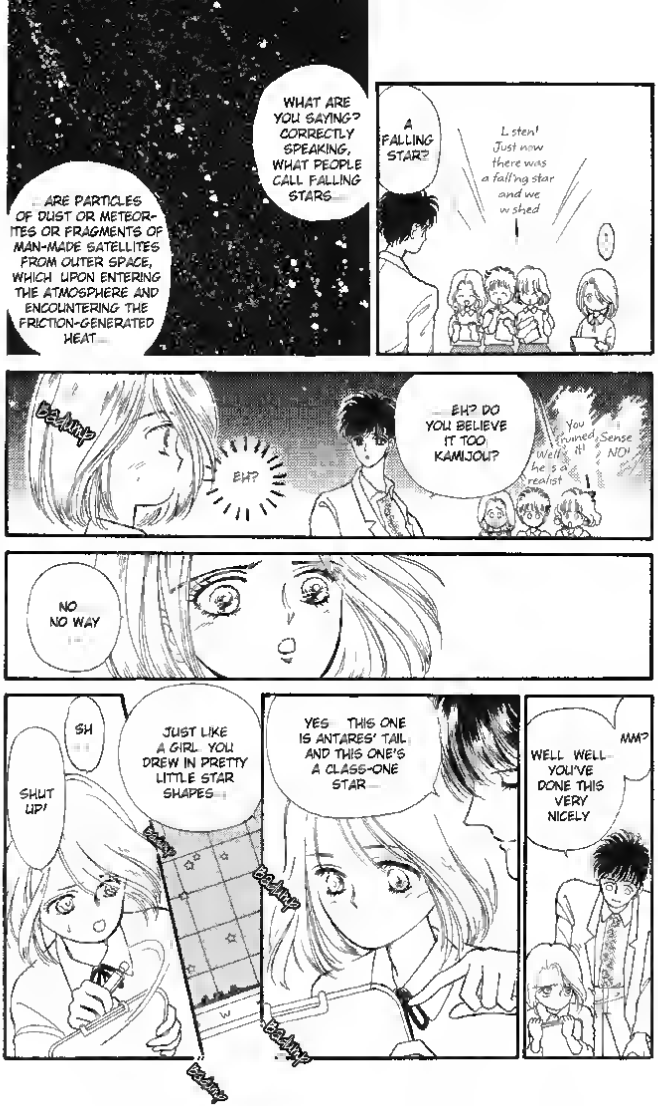
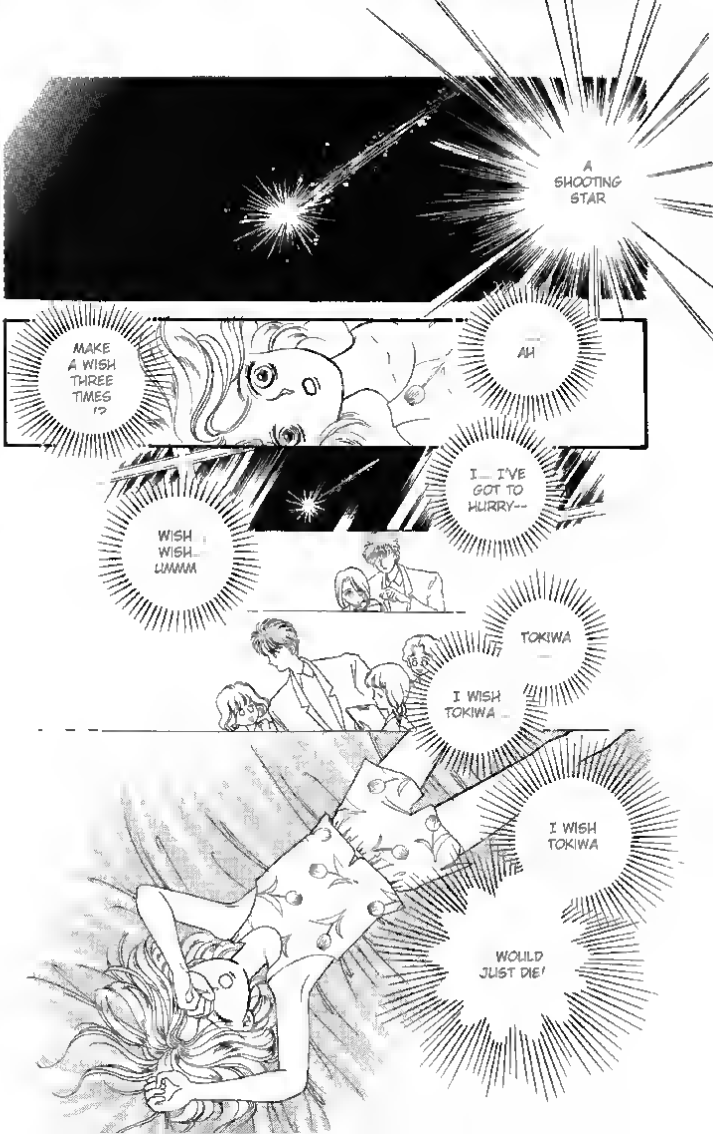
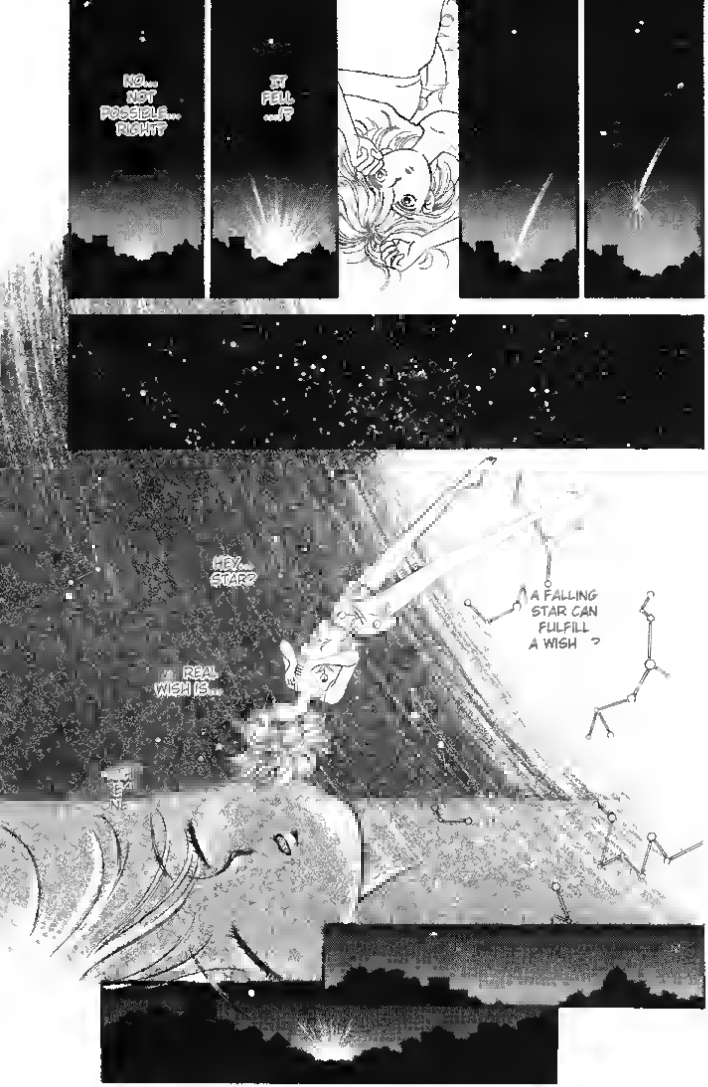
EEH THEY'RE BAD LUCK, THEN
HEY, YOU KNOW SHOOTING STARS? DON'T THEY LOOK LIKE A PERSON'S DIED, AND THAT'S THEIR SOUL FALLING?
NO WAY!
THEY SAY IF YOU CHANT A WISH THREE TIMES OVER BEFORE A FALLING STAR DISAPPEARS, THAT WISH'LL COME TRUE
A WISH
So? What are you wishing for?
That's obvious isn't it?
Giggle giggle
AH-- ANOTHER SHOOTING STAR!!
HOW PRETTY...
HERE NOW, DON'T JUST TALK!
DID YOU FINISH TAKING YOUR OBSERVATIONS?
AH-- ♡ TOKIWA-SENSEI!!

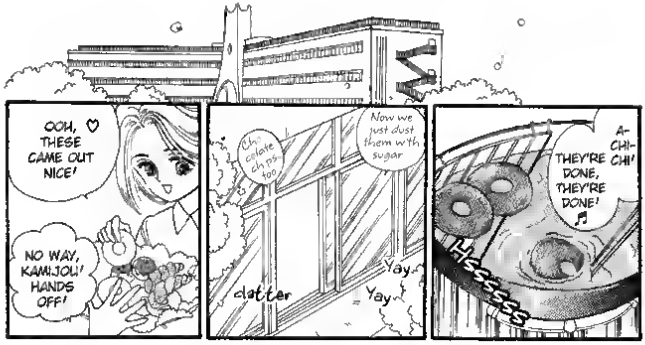

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? CORRECTLY SPEAKING, WHAT PEOPLE CALL FALLING STARS...
...ARE PARTICLES OF DUST OR METEORITES OR FRAGMENTS OF MAN-MADE SATELLITES FROM OUTER SPACE, WHICH UPON ENTERING THE ATMOSPHERE AND ENCOUNTERING THE FRICTION-GENERATED HEAT...
A FALLING STAR?
Listen! Just now there was a falling star and we wished
Baddump
EH?
...EH? DO YOU BELIEVE IT TOO KAMIJOU?
You ruined it! Well, he's a realist
Sense NO!
NO NO WAY
SH
SHUT UP!
JUST LIKE A GIRL YOU DREW IN PRETTY LITTLE STAR SHAPES...
YES THIS ONE IS ANTARES' TAIL AND THIS ONE'S A CLASS-ONE STAR...
Baddump
Baddump
Baddump
Baddump
MM?
WELL WELL YOU'VE DONE THIS VERY NICELY

...AH
shick
.....
HOW MEAN! KAMIJOU, YOU...
EH...? AH... YEAH
KYAA! SENSEI!
ARE YOU OKAY!?
.....
IT'S OKAY.
I... I DIDN'T
YOU DID THAT ON PURPOSE, DIDN'T YOU!
...
ARE YOU GONNA APOLOGIZE, !?
YOU PERVERT-TEACHER!
WHA... WHAT'RE

TOKIWA
STUPID IDIOT!!
It's fine it's fine
Bzzzz
SERI-OUS-LY!!
AH-KAMIJOU !?
COME BACK HERE!
EVEN THOUGH HE'S A SUB-STITUTE...
...GOING AROUND LIKE A WOMANIZ-ING, SARCAS-TIC...
HE'S NOT LIKE THE LAST TEACHER AT ALL
roll
WHEN I SEE HIM TOMOR-ROW,
AAAAH
MAY-BE I COULD
TRY APOLOGIZING MAYBE
Hah!
TOKIWA, YOU GREAT BIG STUPID IDIOT!!


A SHOOTING STAR
MAKE A WISH THREE TIMES !?
AH
I... I'VE GOT TO HURRY--
WISH WISH... UMMM
TOKIWA
I WISH TOKIWA
I WISH TOKIWA
WOULD JUST DIE!


NO... NOT POSSIBLE... RIGHT?
IT FELL ...!?
HEY... STAR?
A FALLING STAR CAN FULFILL A WISH ?
REAL WISH IS...



Note: This isn't a misprint by the way. Kids in Japan have to call their teachers "Sensei" but Kamijou's apparently decided that Tokiwa doesn't count as a real teacher.
-SaikaiOnna

HE LOOKS LIKE SUCH AN IDIOT, ALL LOVEY-DOVEY OVER THERE.
Well, I'll go make tea.
M...MM THEY'RE ALL DELICIOUS
SENSEI, ARE THEY GOOD!?
WELL? WHAT ABOUT MINE?
THAT'S TOKIWA, ISN'T IT
---WHO IS
KAMIJOU
slip
WHAT
WAS THAT VOICE JUST NOW!?
IS SOMETHING WRONG?
I...IT'S NOTHING, DON'T BOTHER!
TO TOKIWA
IS THAT SO?
wiggle
wiggle

KAMIJOU, GET BACK!!
TOKI-WA!!
SEN-SEI!!
KYAAAAA
FWOOOMM!!
ROOOOAR
TOKIWA!?
PHEW
HSSSSS
Pop FIZZLE
SE SENSEI!?
HSSSSSS
slap
slap
I WAS TOO SOFT ON HIM...
Toki-wa Sen-sei!!
Every thing's okay now
Waah, I was scared

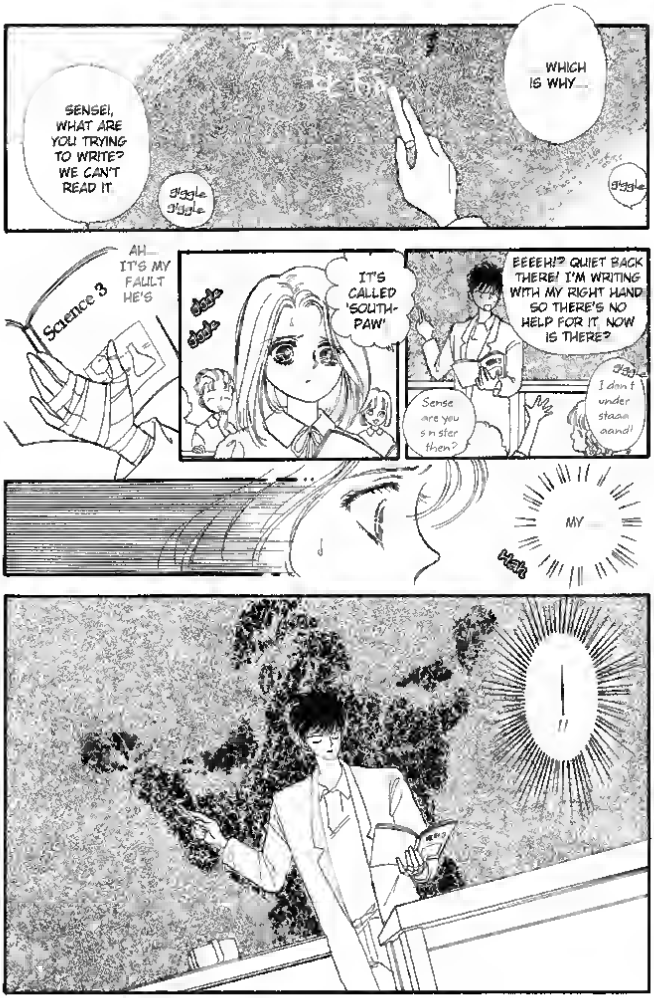
MORE IMPORTANTLY-- KAMIJOU, WERE YOU HURT?
SHE FORGOT TO PUT OUT THE FIRE I BET
KAMIJOU SPILLED THE OIL, DIDN'T SHE?
IT'S A LIGHT BURN NOTHING SERIOUS
SEN-SEI... YOUR HAND...
IT'S GOTTEN RED!
Hmph!
What's with her?
Well!
Seriously!
BUT WHOSE!?
THERE DEFINITELY WAS A VOICE
THAT VOICE
HIS TERM AS A SUBSTITUTE HERE WILL BE OVER
THAT'S RIGHT
YEAH... BUT THAT MEANS PARTING WITH TOKIWA-SENSEI, YOU KNOW...
IT'S ALMOST SUMMER VACATION, ISN'T IT
Good!
Mornin
Morning
APOLOGIZE TO HIM, SOMEHOW
BEFORE THEN, I HAVE TO...
Eeeeeh!? What are you saying?
I wonder if I should confess to him once and for all
K-kyo

HE'S RUNNING, HE'S RUNNING!
klaaaang
klooong
klaaaang
AH- IT'S TOKIWA-SENSEI!
GOO... GOOD MORNING!
GO FOR IT!
Good morning!
Sen sei!
KYAAA!! TOKIWA-SENSEI!
SNUG
KYAAAAAA!!
Idiots
TOKIWA.
HUH

shiver
I WISH YOU'D JUST DIE !!
KAMI-JOU?
clack
TOKI-WA !!
*SFX SCREEEEEECH!
OH-?
hop

SFX CRUNCH!!
TOKIWA-SENSEI!!
SCRTCH
KYAAA--
SEN-SEI...!?
SMASH
CRASH
YEAH SOMEHOW...
A-- ARE YOU OKAY!?
SCRATCH
SLAM

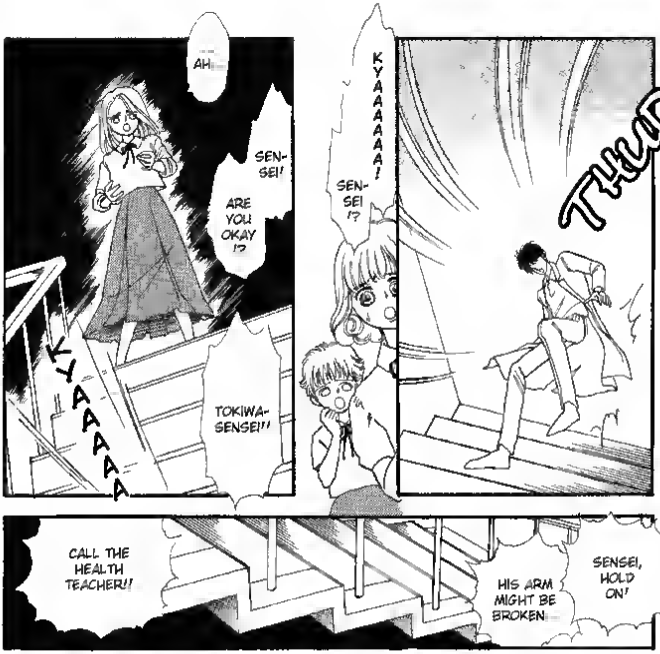
GOOD KITTY...
YOU'RE OKAY, TOO?
MEW
MEW
WZOOO
SEN-SEI!!
AW, GEEZ!! SCARED ME!!
PHEW
JUST TO SAVE THAT CAT..
KAMI-JOU?
ALL... ALL THAT FOR A CAT...
WHA... WHAT AN IDIOT!
AH...
THAT WASN'T ANYONE'S FAULT.
CHEW
KAMI-JOU!!
HEY!!
WHAT?
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
COME TO THINK OF IT, KAMIJOU, YOU--
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
YEAH! IT'S ALL BECAUSE YOU THREW THE CHALK AT THE CAT...

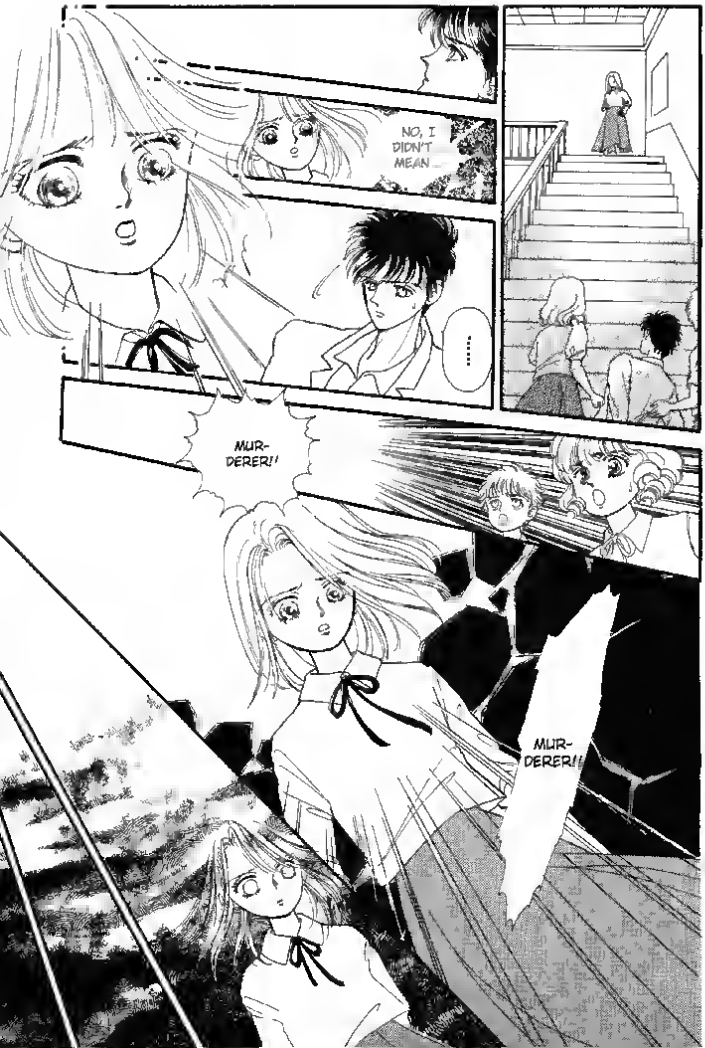

SENSEI, WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO WRITE? WE CAN'T READ IT
giggle giggle
...WHICH IS WHY...
giggle
Science 3
AH... IT'S MY FAULT HE'S
giggle giggle
IT'S CALLED 'SOUTH-PAW'
EEEEH!? QUIET BACK THERE! I'M WRITING WITH MY RIGHT HAND! SO THERE'S NO HELP FOR IT NOW IS THERE?
Note: He's left-handed ^^
giggle
I don't understaaand!
Sense are you sinster then?
MY
HEH

TOKIWA, DON'T YOU KNOW!?
BEHIND YOU--
TO TOKIWA--
!!
slide
EV... EVERYBODY'S WATCHING, AND THEY DON'T CARE!?
OR OR MAYBE ---!?
GLOP GLOP
GRAB
AAAA!!

...KA-MI-JOU?
MUTTERMUTTER
...AH...
MUTTERMUTTER
.....
WHAT'S WRONG?
SERIOUSLY! SHE'S TRYING TO INTERRUPT TOKIWA-SENSEI'S CLASS THAT'S ALL!
SHE JUST WANTS ATTENTION.
NO...
KAMI-JOU?
AH-HEY! STOP!
RATTLE

KAMIJOU, WHAT ON EARTH...
Heh
LE--LET ME GO!
GO BACK TO THE CLASS-ROOM!!
KAMI-JOU!!
DON'T
JUST DON'T TOUCH ME!!
TOKIWA!?
Squeeze
jerk back


AH...
SEN-SEI!
ARE YOU OKAY!?
KYAAAAA
TOKIWA-SENSEI!!
KYAAAAAAA!
SEN-SEI!?
THUD
CALL THE HEALTH TEACHER!!
HIS ARM MIGHT BE BROKEN...
SENSEI, HOLD ON!
HATE HIM!?
NO... THAT'S NOT--
IF HE'D BEEN HIT IN THE WRONG PLACE HE COULD HAVE...
YOU REALLY HATE SENSEI THAT MUCH...
YOU PUSHED HIM, DIDN'T YOU!!
KAMIJOU, YOU JERK!


NO, I DIDN'T MEAN...
.....
MUR-DERER!!
MUR-DERER!!

THIS WAY, EVEN IF THERE'S ANOTHER FALLING STAR, I WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE IT
rumble
I CAN'T SEE THE STARS
FLASH
THE STARS
patter
RUMBLE
patter
patter
patter
IF YOU DON'T—
AND LISTEN TO MY WISH—
FALL ONE MORE TIME
STAR
FLASH
THEN TOKIWA WILL DIE, AND IT'LL BE MY FAULT

I WANTED TO SAY "I'M SORRY"
BUT, EVEN MORE THAN THAT...
WHAT I REALLY WANTED TO SAY
I REALLY--
IN THE END I COULDN'T SAY IT
SNATCH
jitter
jitter
SNATCH!
WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING, KAMIJOU!?
TOKIWA!?
BU BUT--
KAMIJOU! STOP THIS RIGHT NOW!
rumble
rumble
rumble
FLASH
LE LET ME GO!
GIVE ME THAT KNIFE!

YOU MUSTN'T COME NEAR ME
SLASH
KAMI...

FLASH
HSSSSSSS
HSSSSSSS
NO
I... I DIDN'T ... I DIDN'T MEAN TO--
HSSSSSSS
AND WITH THAT, YOUR WISH HAS BEEN FULFILLED
Crack
WHO ARE YOU!?
YOU
I AM...
HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT MY WISH--

I AM THE STAR FROM THAT NIGHT
ST--
NO WAY! THAT'S NOT--
DID YOU NOT WISH ON ME?
'KILL THAT MAN', YOU SAID
...AS

NO!!
THAT WAS... I DIDN'T MEAN THAT!
HAAAAAAAA
DIDN'T MEAN ...?
I CANNOT HAVE MIS-CALCULATED
THIS 'NOT MEAN-ING'?
WHAT IS IT?
YOUR WISH MUST HAVE BEEN FUL-FILLED
!!
TO... TOKIWA ...!?
Suddenly
TOKI-WA!!

...YOU...
HOW DARE YOU...
sparkle
HOW DARE YOU...
I
clatter
...WAS NOT FULFILLED...
IF YOUR WISH
crackle
SLIP
KYAAAAAA!
WHEN I REALIZED I WAS BEING TARGETED BY A GHOST...
I MADE PREPARATIONS, BUT...
I NEVER THOUGHT THE CULPRIT WOULD BE A SHOOTING STAR---
--NO... STARS ARE STARS. BUT YOU'RE--
sparkle

shove
WISH PULFI
YOU WERE A SATELLITE WEREN'T YOU!
crackle
GET BACK!!
crumble
crumble
smash
RATTLE
UNTIL I KILL YOU...
AGAINST HIM. WHAT CAN
—I USE!?
THERE'S NO REASON TO EXPECT MY POWER TO WORK THIS TIME

...IS AN ELEC-TRICAL DIS-TRIB-UTOR!!
INSIDE THIS WALL...
closing in
I'LL RISK IT
CRUNCH
TOKIWA!!
*SFX SMASH!
CRACK
SPARK

ZZZZZTTT
chiiing
crash
TOTALLY FINE
TH-THAT WOUND!?
TOKI-WA!!

I'M SO GLAD
I
I REALLY
WHAT I REALLY
KAMI-JOU?
KAMI-JOU?
IF I TELL, IT WON'T COME TRUE
NO...!
ONE MORE TIME...
NEXT TIME A STAR FALLS...
WHEN THAT HAPPENS
I'LL MAKE MY REAL WISH ON IT

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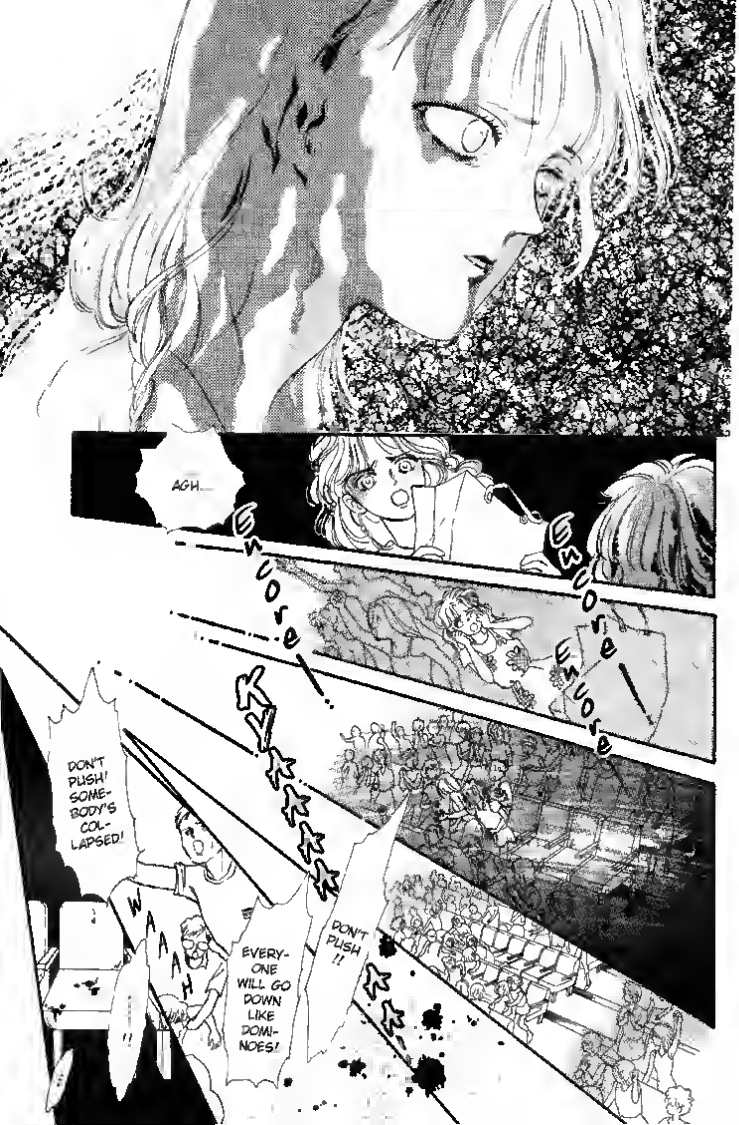
How cheap!
I KNOW YOU HAVE EXTRA LESSONS TODAY. ARE YOU SKIPPING OUT?
Whaaa
HEY! ORIHARA!!
WAAH, TOKIWA-SENSEI, PLEASE PRETEND YOU DIDN'T SEE ME!
TODAY IS SHOUYA'S GIG!
HE'S THE VOCAL FOR THE BAND 'KILLER BEE'
OOOOH... HE'S SO SERIOUSLY COOL!
HE'S NOT VERY SMART. AND HE SWEARS A LOT... BUT EVEN SO! HE DOESN'T DO SOFT ROCK, IT'S HEAVY METAL.
HIS BEST SONG IS 'UNRUSTED NIGHT'...
SHO... SHOUYA!? WHO ON EARTH IS THAT?
EH!? SENSEI, YOU DON'T KNOW!?
Gaia Gaiaaa
Killer Bee

A—
ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT.
JUST BE CAREFUL NOT TO LET THE COUNSELOR SPOT YOU!
YES!! ♡
THAT'S JUST LIKE YOU, TOKIWA-SENSEI!
ha ha ha
AFTER SHOUYA, I LOVE YOU BEST!
swish
SHOUYA, WAIT FOR ME, OKAY? ♡
I'M COMING TO MEET YOU RIGHT NOW—
BAAAAAM
SFX SCREEEECH
SFX BOOOMMM
AN ACCI-DENT —!?
SFX SCREEEECH

*If's his name)
-Sakka Onna


AGH...
Encore!
Encore!
Encore!
KYAAAAAAA
DON'T PUSH! SOMEBODY'S COLLAPSED!
WAAAH
EVERYONE WILL GO DOWN LIKE DOMINOES!
DON'T PUSH!!
KYA-

ORIHARA
IF I HADN'T LET HER GO, THIS WOULD NEVER HAVE--
WHAT IS THIS?
IT LOOKS AS THOUGH SHE WAS WEARING THE EARPHONES WHEN SHE CROSSED THE STREET IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN WHY SHE DIDN'T HEAR THE CAR.
A SONG THERE'S MUSIC COMING FROM THIS TAPE
EVEN THOUGH IT CAN'T POSSIBLY MOVE ANY MORE

ORIHARA FOR SOME-THING...
...THIS PETTY, YOU
SHOUYA'S SONGS ARE THE BEST!!
NO WAY!
...A GHOST?
WHOSE?
...NO WAY!!
BEEH... BUT STUFF LIKE THAT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME AT LIVE ROCK CON-CERTS
BUT... YOU KNOW-
YEAH THEY SAY, AT THE KILLER BEE CON-CERTS...
THE FAN GIRLS ARE COLLAPS-ING LIKE DOMINOES
SHOUYA... THE ONE THAT ORIHARA LIKED?
whisper
...LISTEN ABOUT SHOUYA'S GIG

Waiting Room (A)
YEAH, RIGHT! I DON'T THINK SO!!
THIS IS SOMETHING A FAN DID ON THEIR OWN, RIGHT?! IT'S NOTHIN' TO DO WITH ME!
THE MEDIA'S GETTING NOISY, TOO...
BUT IF THAT WEIRD RUMOR SPREADS MUCH FARTHER...
QUIT TALKIN' STUPID! WHO'D BELIEVE STUFF LIKE THAT!
WELL... FOR NOW, LET'S AT LEAST DELAY TONIGHT'S CURTAIN TIME--
BUT LISTEN SHOUYA...
THERE'S YESTERDAY'S THING, TOO...
IF ANOTHER FAN GETS INJURED...
SECURITY SAYS THEY WON'T BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR IT...
IT WOULD BE BETTER IF YOU CANCELLED TONIGHT'S CONCERT ENTIRELY

TOKI-
WA—
PU—
PURIFY
SERVICE
EVIL
SPIRITS
EXOR-
CISED!?
EXCUSE
ME
THIS
SHOULD
EXPLAIN
WHO
THE
HECK!?
BUT IF
ANOTHER
VICTIM
EMERGES
I DON'T
NEED THIS
STUFF!
WHAT
GHOST!?
KYA
YAAY
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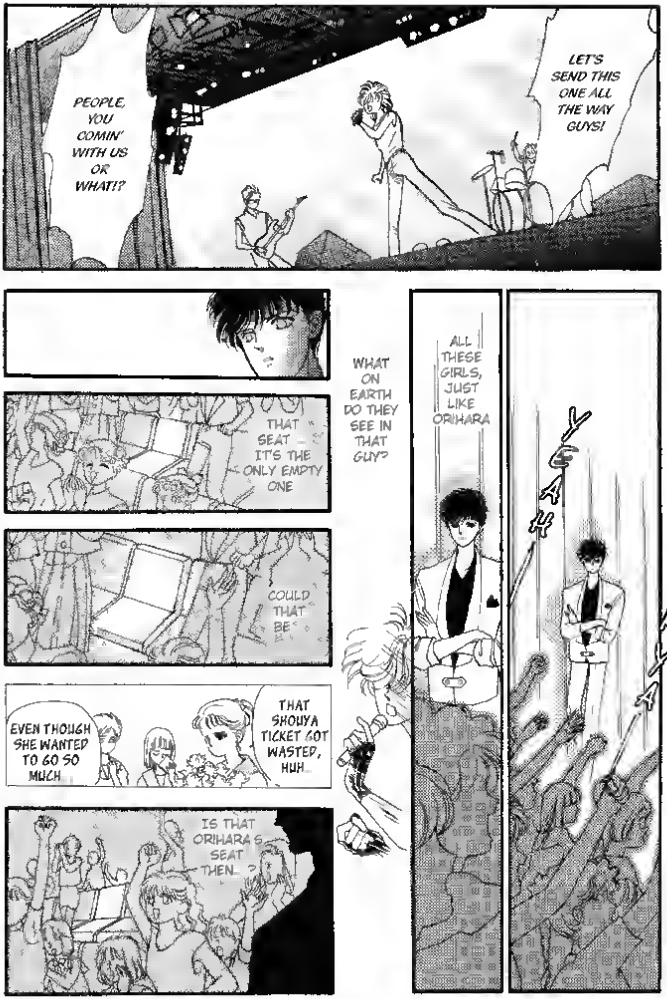

PEOPLE, YOU COMIN' WITH US OR WHAT!?
LET'S SEND THIS ONE ALL THE WAY GUYS!
THAT SEAT... IT'S THE ONLY EMPTY ONE
COULD THAT BE
EVEN THOUGH SHE WANTED TO GO SO MUCH
THAT SHOUYA TICKET GOT WASTED, HUH...
IS THAT ORIHARA'S SEAT THEN...?
WHAT ON EARTH DO THEY SEE IN THAT GUY?
ALL THESE GIRLS, JUST LIKE ORIHARA
レイナ
レイナ

YEAAAAAH!!
KYA!
KYA!
KEH--..!!
CHECK IT OUT NOTHING'S HAPPENING, IS IT?
EXORCISE WHAT EVIL SPIRIT?
ACTUALLY, IT'S LIKE EVERYONE'S EVEN MORE INTO IT THAN NORMAL
HEY MUCHAS GRACIAS!
YOU GUYS ARE IN A GOOD MOOD TONIGHT, HUH?
NEXT UP IS MY ABSOLUTE FAVE NUMBER--
GIVE A LISTEN TO UNRUSTED NIGHT'!!
KYA!
YAY
KYA!
CLACK

BZZT
CHATTER
A BLACK-OUT!?
WHA... WHAT'S UPP
HEH
NOTHING TO DO ABOUT IT
N-NOO...
KYA...
EVERY-BODY CALM DOWN!
THUD
STOMP
NOOO- IT'S PITCH-BLACK...
WHAT HAPPEN-ED?
KYA
KYA
Hah-
OH, RIGHT. EVEN WHEN THE ELECTRICITY'S CUT, THE PIANO'S STILL LIVE.
...THE PIANO?
click
OK!!
KEEP GOING LIKE THAT!
BAAM
AAAAAAAOOI...
WHAT!?

AAAAAH!
ARE YOU OKAY!?
drip
drip
THE LID...!!
BI
CRACK
CRACK
FLASH
drip
drip
ZOOO!!
KYAAAA!!
KYA
WAA
KYAAA

WAA
KYA
WAA
KYA
WA
KYA
WAA
ORIHA-RA!?
TODAY'S CONCERT IS OVER. PLEASE EXIT THE AUDITORIUM
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
EH?
WUHUH
KYA
BOO
You're kidding!!
GET THE CURTAIN DOWN!
CUR-TAIN!!
LIGHT UP THE GUEST SEATS!!
KYA
MUWUHUH
Heh
KYA
ORI--
SHOVE
ORI-HARA!!
KYA
WA

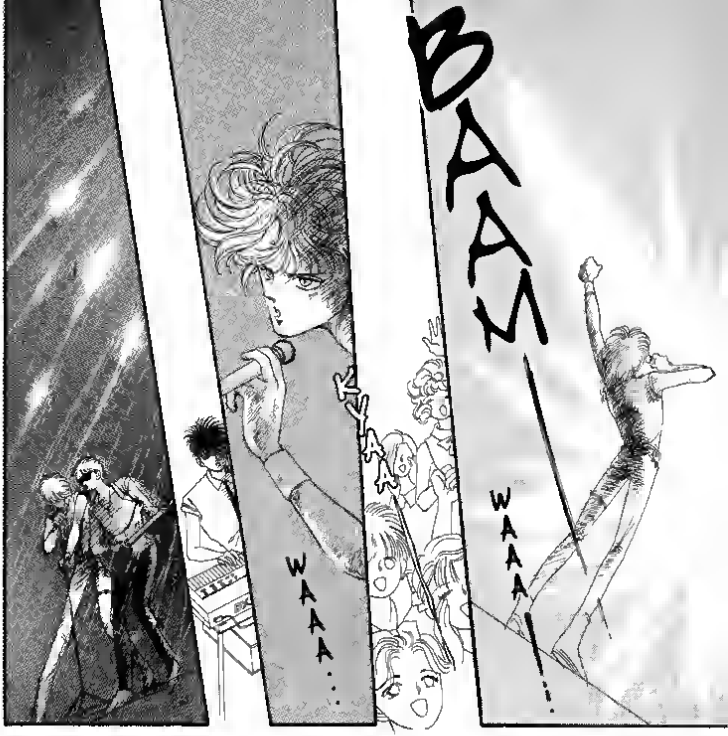
I... IT WAS JUST AN ACCI-DENT...
WHA-WHAT, YOU GUYS!?
JUST A CHANCE ACCIDENT, RIGHT?
THERE'S NO DOUBT LEFT
THAT WAS THE WORK OF A GHOST...
YOU FREAKY LITTLE ARE YOU STILL SAYING THAT CRAP...
YOU ACTUALLY BELIEVE WHAT THAT FREAK--
Mrale
THE SAFEST THING WOULD BE TO CANCEL THE CONCERTS, BUT...
THAT'S... THAT'S NOT POSSI-BLE
THERE ARE ONLY TWO MORE DAYS LEFT OF THE TOUR...
WELL, THEN
WHAT SHOULD WE DO ?
STOP IT, SHOUYA!

Umm Is it just me or does this pose look REALLY fam liar especially with Shouya's hair and Tokiwa's expression? -) -SukkaOnna

Scarlet nod nods YEAH! XD

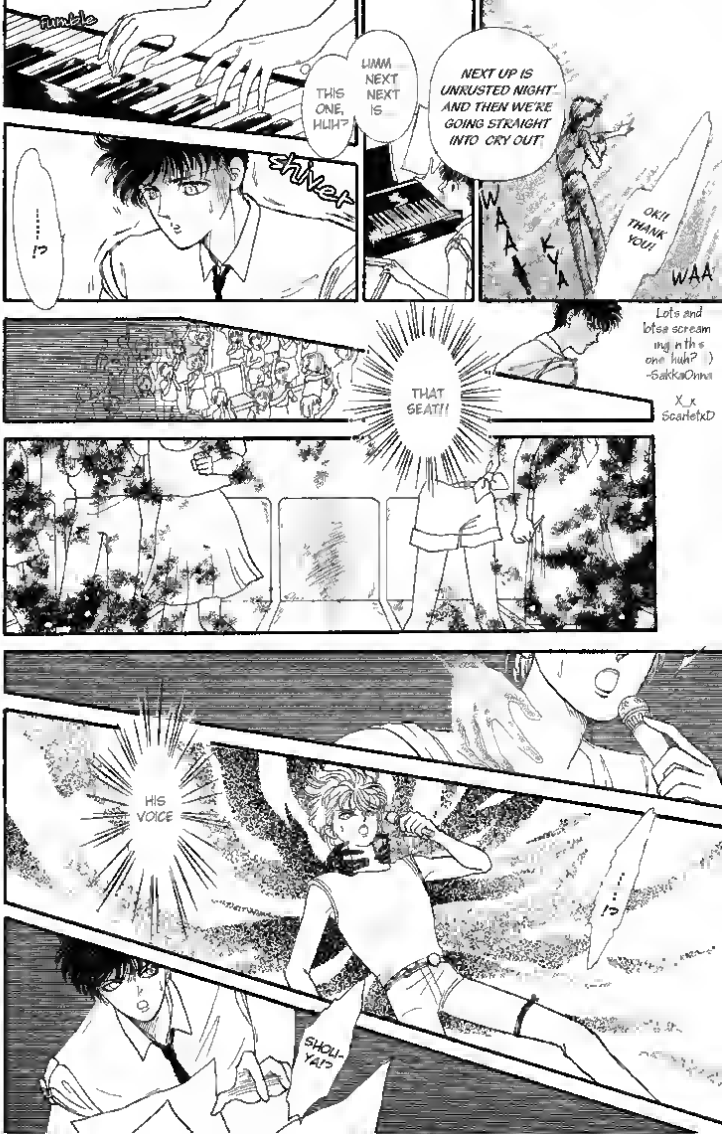
HMPH
BEFORE I CAN DO THAT, WE NEED TO DISCOVER WHAT'S CAUSING THE GHOST TO APPEAR
THERE ARE SEVERAL DIFFERENT POSSIBILITIES, SO...
COULDN'T YOU SOMEHOW REMOVE THIS THIS GHOST?
IF I CAN MEET HER, AND TALK WITH HER...
IF I CAN MEET ORIHARA'S GHOST DIRECTLY...
IN HER OWN SEAT...
ORIHARA WILL MOST LIKELY APPEAR AT THE TWO REMAINING CONCERTS
.....
If it's anything like a sonatina I can sight-read it.
YOU'LL NEED A REPLACE-MENT TODAY, WON'T YOU?
YOUR POOR INJURED PIANIST...
.....
OF COUR-SE!

YO! HOW'S IT LOOK?
HE SEEMS PRETTY DEPENDABLE
EH? THE ENCORE IS DECIDED BEFOREHAND?
Well that's um
THEN THE ENCORE SONG IS...
ON THE CODA, YOU COME IN WITH THE DRUMS
OKAY, NOW COMES THE MAKEUP
FWOOSH
JUST TRY NOT TO HOLD US BACK, ALRIGHT?
DISGUSTING GUY JUST WHO DOES HE THINK I'M DOING THIS FOR
HUH... 'SEEMS' DEPENDABLE
THE HALL'S OPEN.
FIVE MINUTES TILL CURTAIN
BRRRIIINNG
ONE. TWO..
ONE.. TWO THREE..
TAP TAP TAP


BAAM!
WAAA...!!
WAAA...
ドゥーン

I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WHEN I WAS WATCHING FROM THE GUEST SEATS, BUT

I CAN SEE THEM! FLOODING HIM, SURROUNDING HIM LIKE AN AURA.
THE GIRLS' VOICES, HURTLING UP TOWARDS HIM.
ALL THEIR THOUGHTS FOR HIM...
WHEN I'M UP HERE ON THE STAGE ALONG WITH HIM...
I CAN SEE THE BRILLIANCE !!
THIS IS THE SINGER YOU LOVED, ISN'T IT.
ORIHARA, THIS IS WHAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT


Fumble
THIS ONE, HUH?
UMM NEXT NEXT IS...
NEXT UP IS UNRUSTED NIGHT AND THEN WE'RE GOING STRAIGHT INTO CRY OUT!
OK!! THANK YOU!!
WAA
KYA
WAA
shiver
.....!?
Lots and lotsa screaming in this one huh? ;) -SakkaOnna
X_x ScarletXD
THAT SEAT!!
HIS VOICE
.....!?
SHOU-YA!?

*His name SakkaChina

I BET YOU 'LOST' IT ON PURPOSE!
WHY DIDN'T YOU PLAY 'UNRUSTED NIGHT'!?
THAT'S WHY NOTHING MORE HAPPENED
YES, I DID.
I'M SURE THEY HAPPENED WHEN WE WERE DOING 'UNRUSTED NIGHT'
AND THAT FIRST PANIC...
...COME TO THINK OF IT, YESTERDAY'S BLACKOUT
THAT A VERY PASSIONATE FAN OF YOURS WAS LISTENING TO WHEN SHE DIED
'UNRUSTED NIGHT' WAS THE SONG THAT ORIHARA--
A SONG THAT WON'T EVER END
IT WAS COMING FROM A TAPE THAT COULDN'T POSSIBLY PLAY...
IT WAS HER VERY FAVORITE SONG THE SONG SHE LISTENED TO OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

ORIHARA COMES TO LISTEN TO THAT SONG
SHE WILL APPEAR, WITHOUT FAIL, AS LONG AS YOU SING IT.
'UNRUSTED NIGHT' IS A REALLY IMPORTANT SONG TO ME, AND IT'S THE MOST POPULAR NUMBER WITH THE FANS'
YEA. YEAH, RIGHT'
..IF POSSIBLE, IT WOULD BE BETTER NEVER TO SING IT AGAIN...
THEN ..THEN YOU'RE SAYING I CAN'T SING 'UNRUSTED NIGHT' TOMORROW?
TO NEVER SING IT AGAIN ..
TO THROW AWAY A SONG THAT'S POPULAR WITH MILLIONS OF FANS..
THAT'S FOR THE SAKE OF ONE KID ..
THAT MEANS THAT SONG WOULD BE ER..SED FROM THIS WORLD, DOESN'T IT...

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KYA
KYA!
THOSE GIRLS ADORE YOU...
THE YOU THAT'S BATHED IN GLORY... BUT
THEY LOVE THE YOU THAT'S SURROUNDED BY FANS...
REALLY, THEY EACH WANT YOU ALL FOR THEMSELVES
BUT, REALLY...
SHIVER
STEALING YOUR LIFE WOULDN'T TAKE MUCH MORE EFFORT...
IS NOW ABLE TO PHYSICALLY ROB YOU OF YOUR VOICE.
WHILE THEY'RE ALIVE, THAT'S NOT A POSSIBILITY, BUT... ORIHARA, WHO'S BECOME A GHOST...
SHE COULD ALSO KILL THE MILLIONS OF FANS WHO ARE

BECOME THE MOST BITTER, SELFISH, CRUEL EMOTION IN EXISTENCE
LOVING SOMEONE CAN OCCA-SIONALLY
SO FEELINGS LIKE LOVE...
IF YOU LOVE SOMEONE, NO ONE CAN STOP YOU
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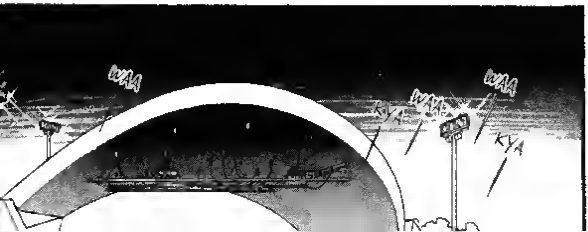
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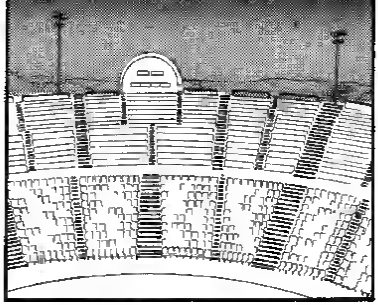
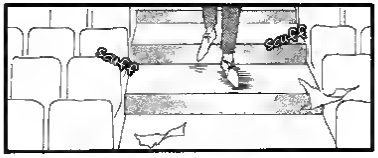
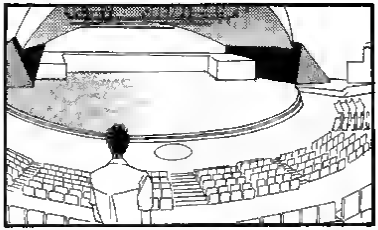
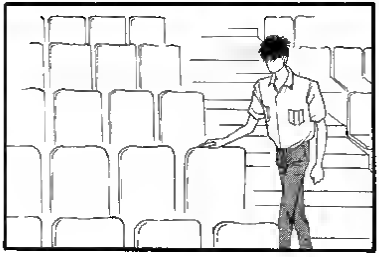
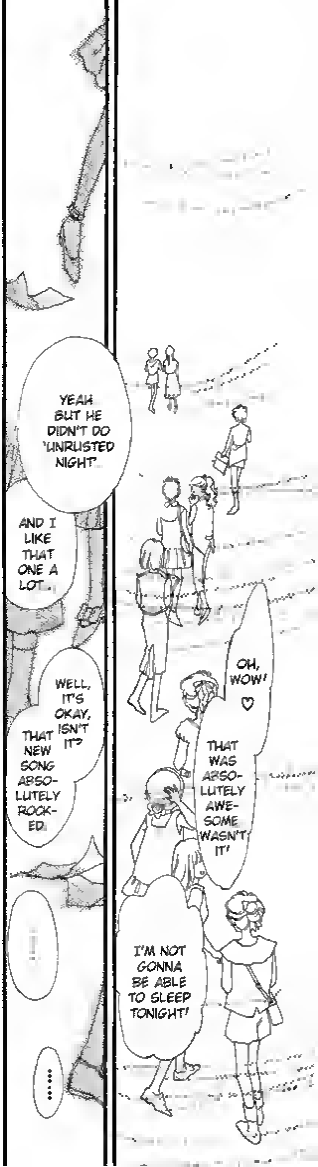



CAUGH
CAUGH






YEAH BUT HE DIDN'T DO 'UNRUSTED NIGHT'.
AND I LIKE THAT ONE A LOT.
WELL, IT'S OKAY, ISN'T IT?
THAT NEW SONG ABSOLUTELY ROCKED.
OH, WOW! ♡
THAT WAS ABSOLUTELY AWESOME, WASN'T IT?
I'M NOT GONNA BE ABLE TO SLEEP TONIGHT!
!
.....

THAT WAS A GOOD CONCERT, WASN'T IT
IT'S LIKE YOU SAID, ORIHARA...
I THINK I'VE BECOME ONE OF HIS FANS TOO, JUST A LITTLE
SO, ORIHARA...
SO HE PROMISED ME...
Heh
...BUT THAT SONG...
I TOLD HIM NEVER TO SING IT AGAIN
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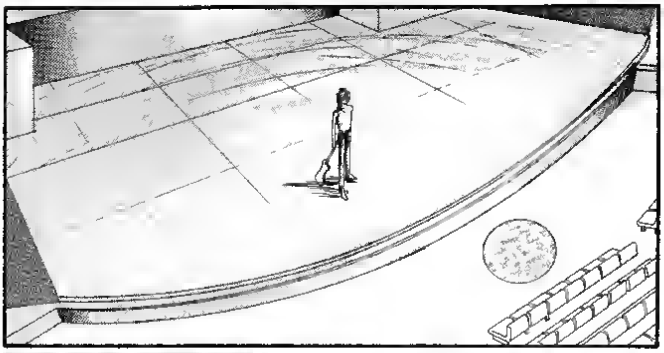

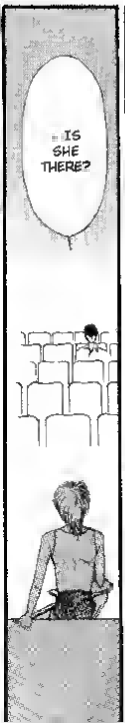
..IS SHE THERE?

IT'S OKAY HE CAN'T SEE FROM WHERE HE IS

I PROMISED I'D NEVER SING IT AGAIN, BUT...
THIS REALLY IS THE LAST TIME
I'LL GIVE YOU THIS SONG...
ONCE OR TWICE
SO LET ME SING IT TO THE END, OKAY?
THIS SONG'S FOR YOU...

ORI-
HARA
I'M
SINGING
IT...
JUST
FOR
YOU.

Last Summer Gig / End

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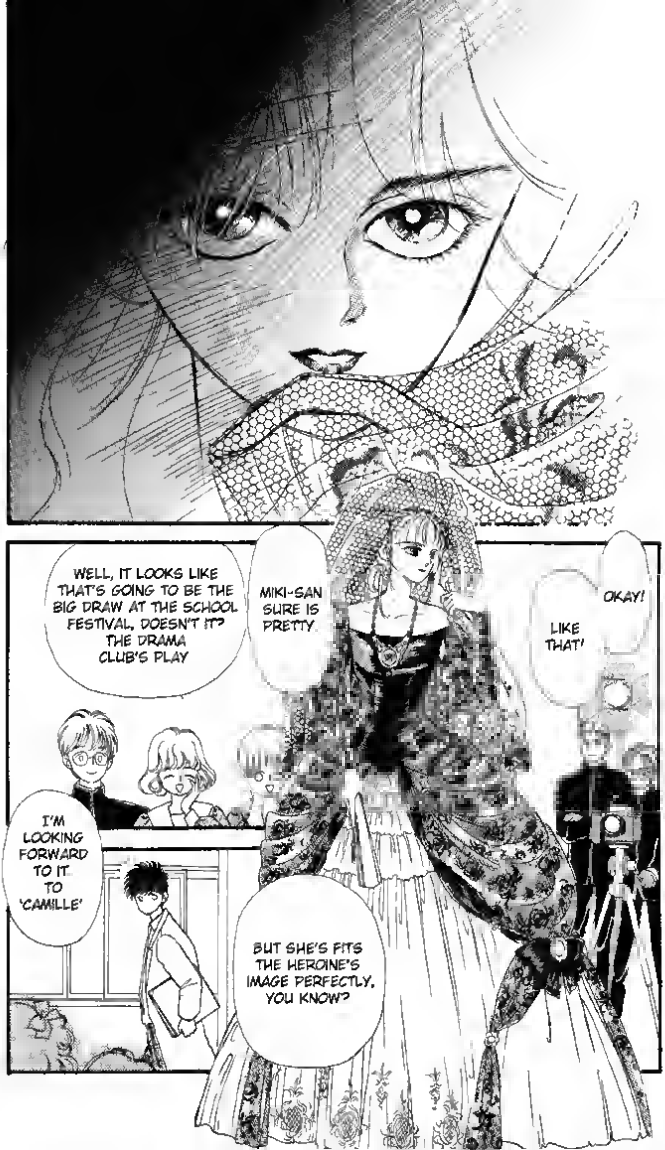
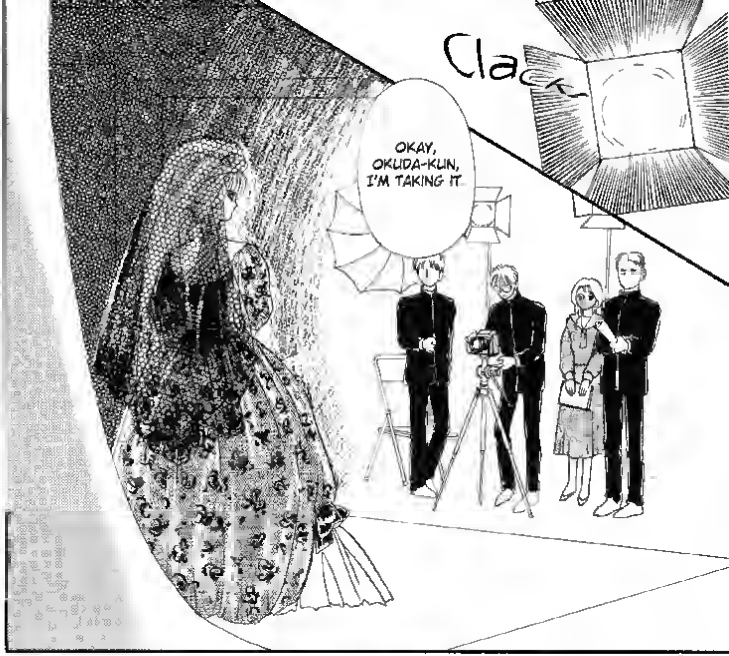

WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE THAT'S GOING TO BE THE BIG DRAW AT THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL, DOESN'T IT? THE DRAMA CLUB'S PLAY
MIKI-SAN SURE IS PRETTY
OKAY! LIKE THAT!
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT TO 'CAMILLE'
BUT SHE'S FITS THE HEROINE'S IMAGE PERFECTLY, YOU KNOW?

HMM? WHAT'S ALL THE RUCKUS ABOUT?
TOKIWA-SENSEI!
THE DRAMA CLUB IS MAKING THE POSTER FOR THEIR PLAY.
THE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB IS HELPING THEM SHOOT IT.
HUH...
IS THAT MIKI OKUDA FROM B-CLASS?
I HARDLY RECOGNIZED YOU...
OH, SENSEI!
DON'T TEASE!
MM?
THAT'S A SUPERB AMBER PIECE, ISN'T IT.
AND WITH A REAL BEE IN IT, TOO.
Where, where
Where, where?
Oh, he's right!
ACTUALLY, MY DAD IS A JEWELRY DEALER, AND HE RECENTLY PICKED THIS UP.
IT WENT SO WELL WITH THE PLAY'S COSTUME THAT I KINDA BORROWED IT WITHOUT TELLING HIM...

YOU KNOW, AMBER IS ..
...FORMED FROM ANCIENT RESIN WHICH HAS BEEN WEATHERED IN THE GROUND.
A TREE'S FOSSIL, AS IT WERE.
OCCASIONALLY INSECTS AND THE LIKE HARDEN ALONG WITH IT, BUT. .
A SPECIMEN THIS LARGE AND COMPLETE IS RARE.
AH -- INCIDENTALLY, AMBER'S CHEMICAL FORMULA IS --
TOKIWA-SENSEI!
Make him stop!
THIS ISN'T CLASS, YOU KNOW.
OKAY, THAT'S ENOUGH. WE'RE SHOOTING THE REAL THING NOW, SO ANYONE NOT IN THE CLUB, GET OUT.

!?
I THOUGHT I FELT SOMEONE WATCHING ME, BUT
...WAS I IMAGINING THINGS?
AH... NO, I WAS JUST ----
IF IT'S THE LECTURE, I'LL LISTEN TO IT LATER, ALL RIGHT?
NO OUTSIDERS ALLOWED OUT, OUT!
TOKIWA-SENSEI!
LOOM
Slam!
That was pretty lowbrow you know!
Come on, I KNOW she's cute but
What a sore loser!
Aun, Reiner no!


Clack
OKAY, OKUDA-KUN, I'M TAKING IT

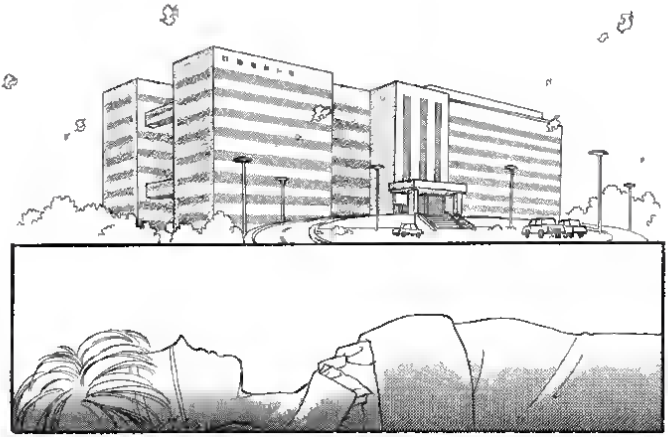
I KNOW IT'S BRIGHT, BUT DON'T SQUINT YOUR EYES
I - I'M SORRY

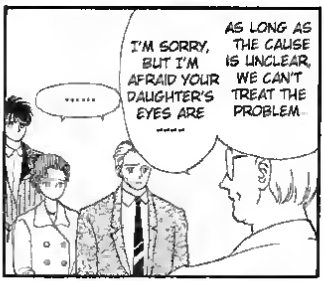
OKAY, LAST ONE
TRY FOR A 'GAZING' FEELING...
kaiuchi
SURE...
ONE MORE
kaiuchi
AGAIN, WITH THAT LAST EXPRESSION
kaiuchi
LOOK AT THE LENS

Click!
KYAAA

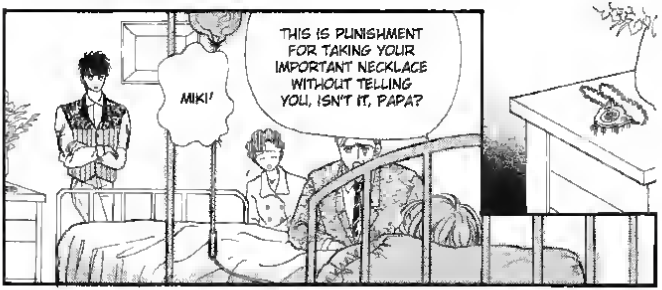
WHAT'S WRONG, OKUDA !?
MY... MY EYES...
WHAT HAPPENED? LET ME SEE.
SE... SENSEI?
I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING ..
KYA--!
MIKI!?

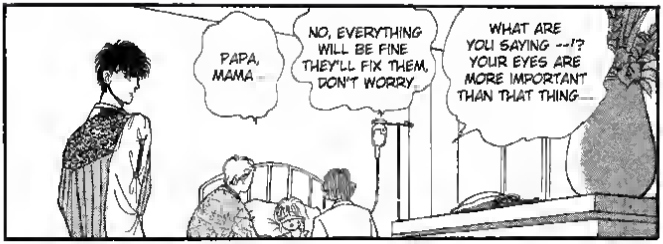
SENSEI!? WHAT'S HAPPENED TO MY EYES !?
OKUDA
YE YES SIR --
FLUSTER
THE THE INFIR-MARY
NO, CALL AN AMBU-LANCE !!
CUTE
.....
MURMUR
MUTTER
BUT THIS MEANS THE PLAY'S CANCELLED, DOESN'T IT
NO WAY...
THE CURSE OF THE CAMERA, MAYBE?




I'M SORRY, BUT I'M AFRAID YOUR DAUGHTER'S EYES ARE ----
AS LONG AS THE CAUSE IS UNCLEAR, WE CAN'T TREAT THE PROBLEM...
.....

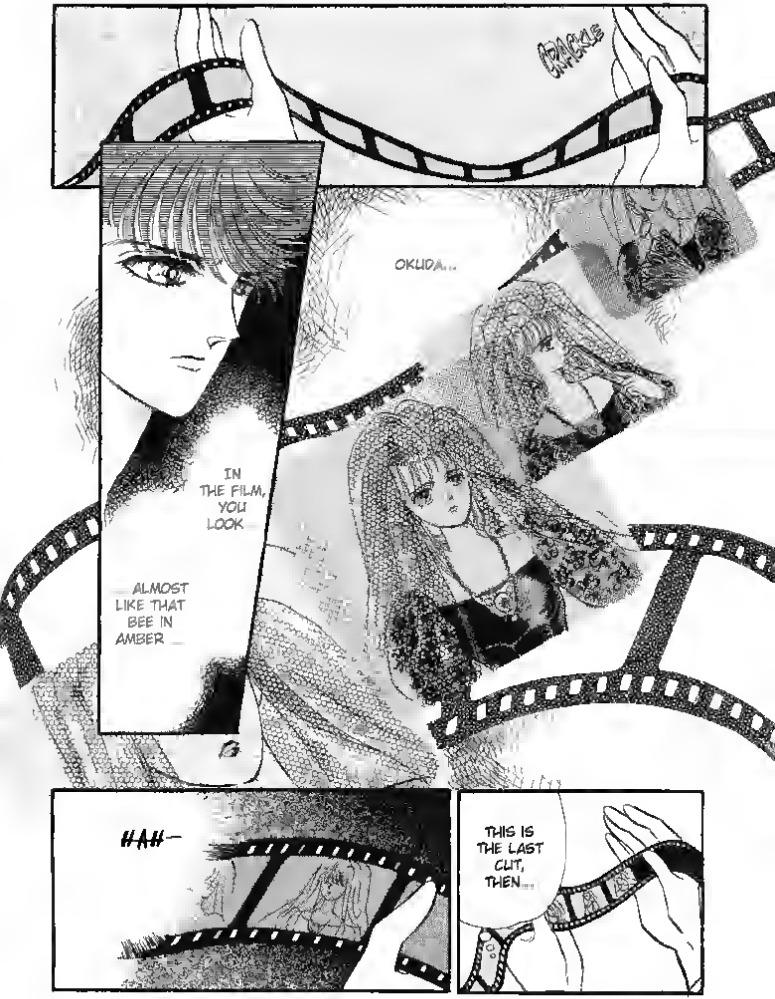
THERE ARE CASES OF PEOPLE BEING STRUCK BY BRIGHT LIGHT AND GOING BLIND DUE TO SOME SORT OF SHOCK, BUT THIS IS THE IRIS, TOO... I MEAN, IT'S AS THOUGH HER EYES ARE LITERALLY GONE...

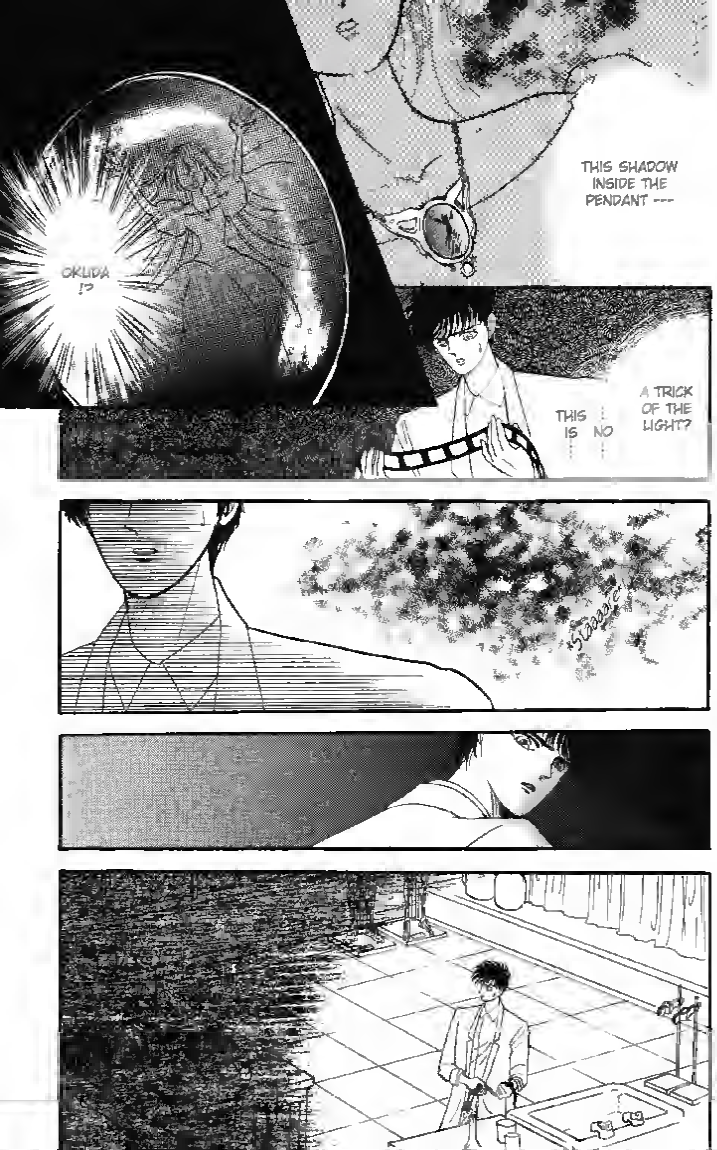

MIKI!
THIS IS PUNISHMENT FOR TAKING YOUR IMPORTANT NECKLACE WITHOUT TELLING YOU, ISN'T IT, PAPA?

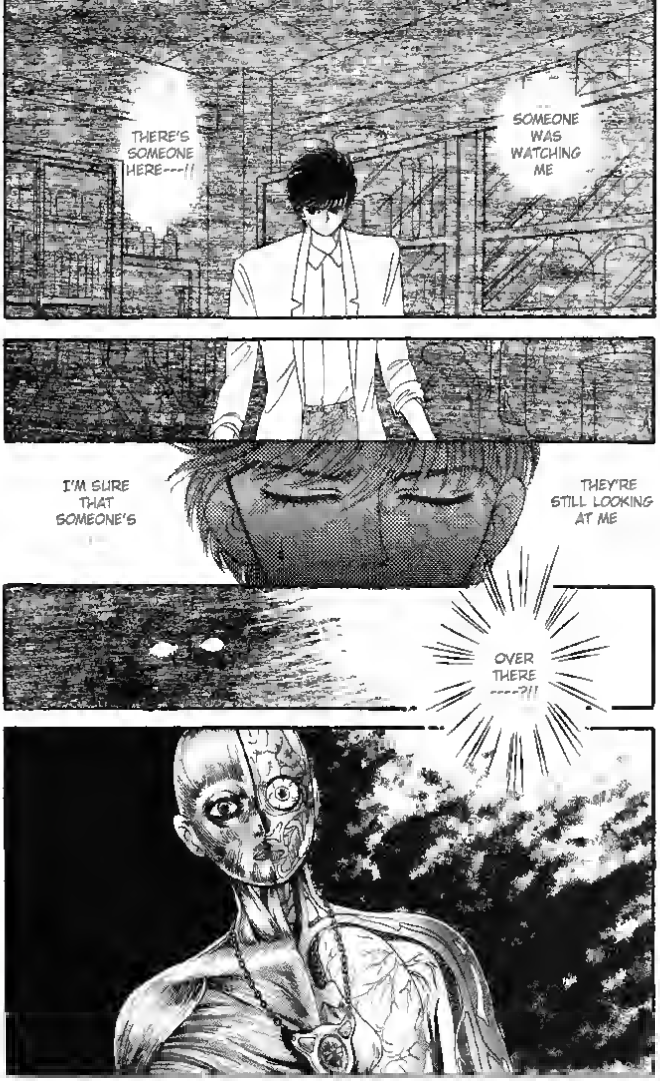

PAPA, MAMA...
NO, EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE THEY'LL FIX THEM, DON'T WORRY...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING --!? YOUR EYES ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT THING...

...THAT THING... PLEASE... TAKE IT ANYWHERE YOU LIKE.
THERE'S SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO LOOK INTO COULD YOU LEND ME THAT NECKLACE?

I CAN DEVELOP THIS.
THAT'S RIGHT.
CLICK
WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE A PERFECTLY ORDINARY STONE...
HOLD THAT FOR A BIT, PLEASE
UMMMM...
And then
So I need to prepare the developer.


CHARGE
OKUDA...
IN THE FILM, YOU LOOK...
...ALMOST LIKE THAT BEE IN AMBER...
HAH—
THIS IS THE LAST CUT, THEN...

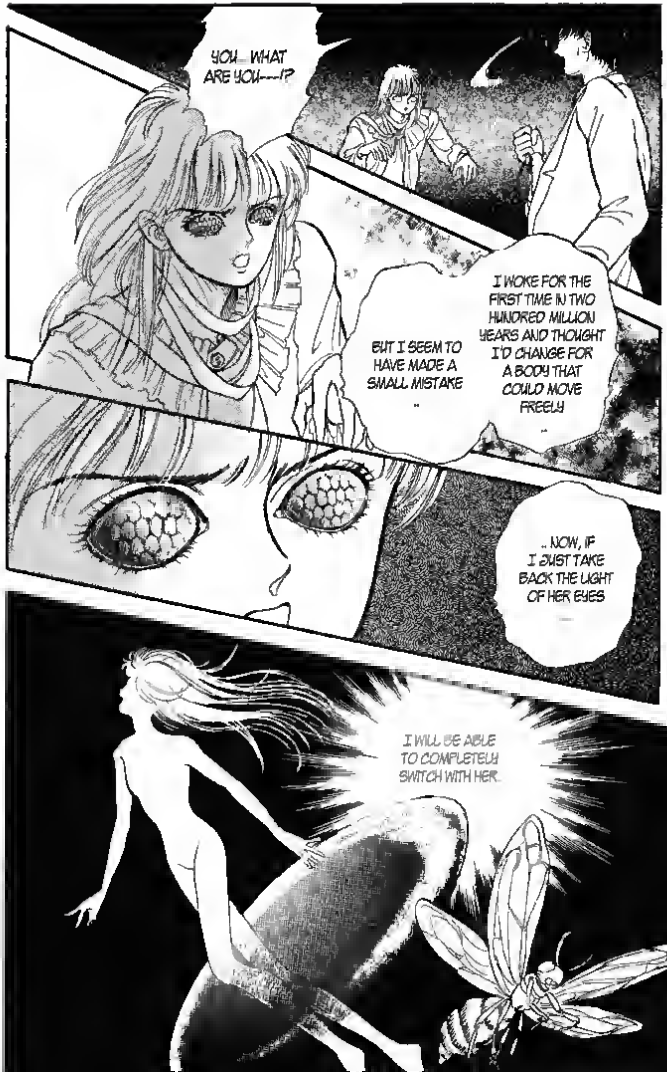

THIS SHADOW INSIDE THE PENDANT ---
OKUDA !?
THIS IS NO ...
A TRICK OF THE LIGHT?


THERE'S SOMEONE HERE---!!
SOMEONE WAS WATCHING ME
I'M SURE THAT SOMEONE'S
THEY'RE STILL LOOKING AT ME
OVER THERE ----?!!

NO
These days, there's no science teacher who'd stare at a specimen
NOT LIKE-LY
YOU...?
IS WATCHING ME !?
THIS NECKLACE
DON'T TOUCH THAT!!

OKUDA!?
HAH HAH
HA...
... YOU CAME FROM THE HOSPITAL BY YOURSELF
HOW IS
GIVE ME THAT NECKLACE
THAT'S NOT MIKI!!!

I WON'T GIVE THIS TO YOU!
Dash!
Hah
MIKI!?


YOU... WHAT ARE YOU----!?
I WOKE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TWO HUNDRED MILLION YEARS AND THOUGHT I'D CHANGE FOR A BODY THAT COULD MOVE FREELY
..
BUT I SEEM TO HAVE MADE A SMALL MISTAKE
..
.. NOW, IF I JUST TAKE BACK THE LIGHT OF HER EYES
I WILL BE ABLE TO COMPLETELY SWITCH WITH HER.

?
HEH HEH HEH THEY DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE TO BE HER EYES
.....
AS IF I'LL LET YOU!!
I'LL NEVER GIVE THIS TO YOU!
I'LL TAKE YOURS!
THEN I'LL SEAL YOU TOGETHER WITH HER IN THE AMBER!
SLASH!!

CRASH!
I MUSTN'T ATTACK HER
I CAN'T!! THE BODY ITSELF IS STILL MIKI'S BODY
WHAT SHOULD I DO ------!?
.....

... SEN ...
TOKIW. -
SENSEI
OKUDA!?
THE BEE
...
SHE'S
STILL
IN HERE
THE ONLY THINGS
THAT SWITCHED
OVER WERE HER
CONSCIOUSNESS
AND EYES.
HER REAL BODY
IS STILL THE BEE'S.

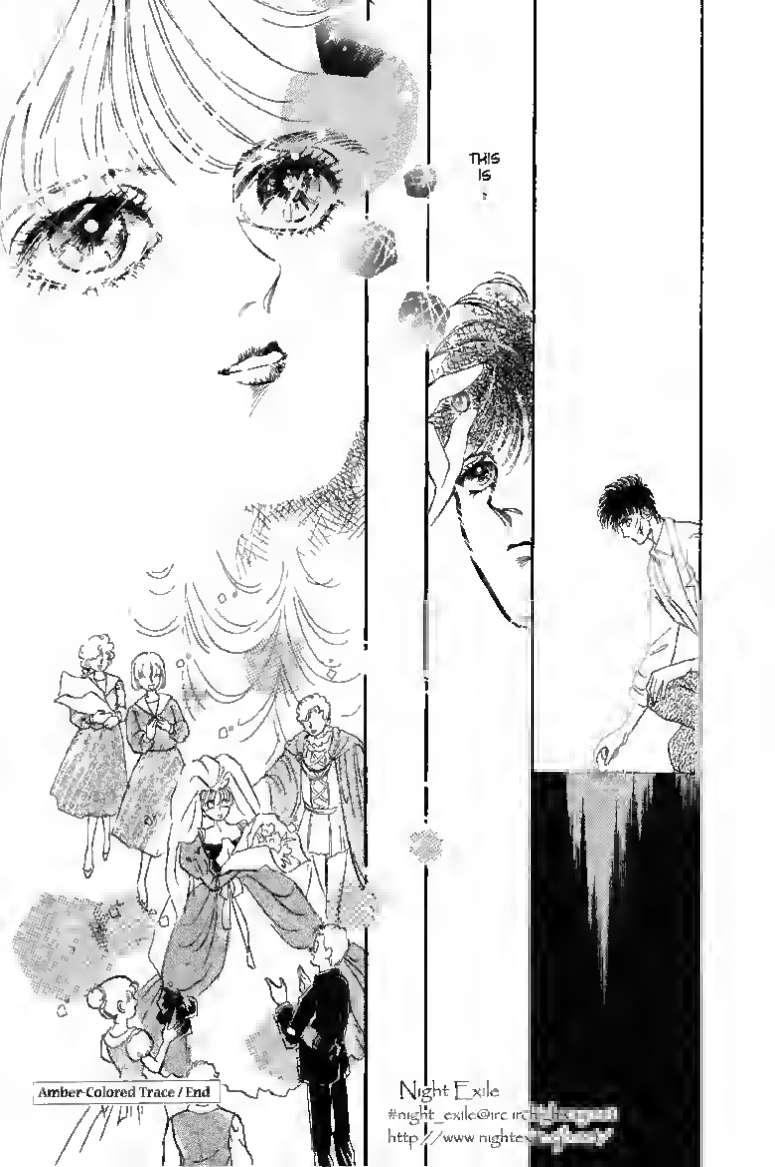
I'LL
RISK
IT

GOOD
!!
IS
THAT
SO
KYUUUU

...WHA.
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
----!?
I'M
RELEASING
YOU!!
WELL THEN,
AS YOU
REQUESTED

ドカッ
ドサッ
ドサッ
ブンブンブン

EVEN SO
YOU WERE PROBABLY SATISFIED WEREN'T YOU ...?
SINCE YOU CROSSED MILLIONS OF YEARS OF TIME AND SPACE .
FOR THAT ONE WINGBEAT!
... !!
OKLIDA!?
NO. . IT CAN'T POSSIBLY STAY LIKE THIS ----
HER EYES STILL HAVEN'T RETURNED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SO THAT'S MY NEXT SCHOOL, IS IT...
And I'm late on my very first day. Not good.
sniff
LED YOU ASTRAY, HMM...
THE MORNING DEW ON A SPIDER'S WEB
flutter
WHAT'S THAT?

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ALL RIGHT!
Just a little more..
AFTER ALL, YOU'VE MANAGED TO SURVIVE UNTIL THIS LATE SEASON
FROM NOW ON, TAKE CARE NOT TO BE CAUGHT
CRUNCH

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MY NAME IS TOKIWA STARTING TODAY, I'LL BE SERVING AS YOUR SCIENCE TEACHER
IT'S ONLY FOR THREE MONTHS, BUT I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU.
WELL THEN, LET'S BEGIN. OPEN YOUR BOOKS TO PAGE 72
Yessir
KYA
KYA
MUSTMUST
MUSTMUST
Think he has a girlfriend?
Luck-kyyy!
He's younger than I thought he'd be!
Eh..!
OH GOOD THEY ALL LOOK LIKE NICE CHEERFUL GIRLS
giggle squeal

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ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
AH-- YES IT'S NOTHING...
YOU... ARE YOU NOT FEELING WELL?
CLATTER
HE... HE'S THE ONE WHO JUST...
IF YOU'RE NOT FEELING WELL, COME TO THE INFIRMARY PLEASE.
YES~
UMM...
GOR-GEOUS ♥
WHO'S THAT?
WELL, HE'S WEARING A BIG COAT, BUT...
YOU
MUR MUR
THUD THUD

badump
Yessir!
Lucky
Eeek!? Not fair!
COME TO THE INFIRMARY
AND YOU! BY THE WINDOW YOU LOOK PALE
AND YOU!
YOU, TOO—
WA— WAIT A MINUTE!
I'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU DIDN'T JUST WALK OFF WITH MY STUDENTS.
Grr!
THERE'S NO NEED TO PUSH YOURSELVES FOR THIS CLASS
STARTING TODAY, I WILL BE SERVING IN THIS SCHOOL'S INFIRMARY
I'M TAKAMURA. PLEASED TO MEET YOU.
— WELL WE MET BEFORE, DIDN'T WE.
AH— THANKS— I'M TOKIWA
shiver

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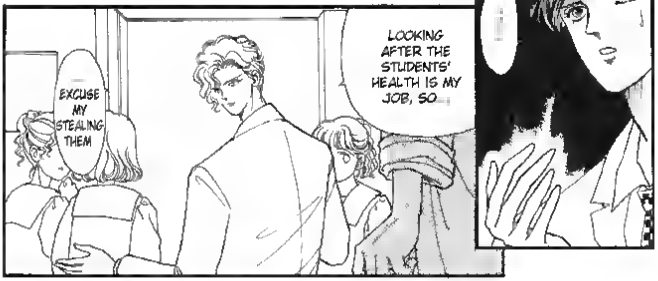
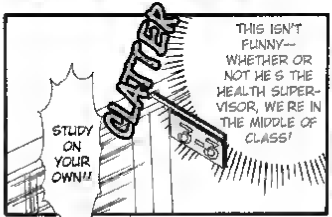
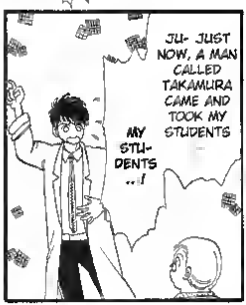
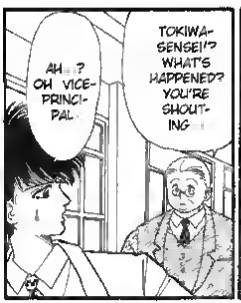








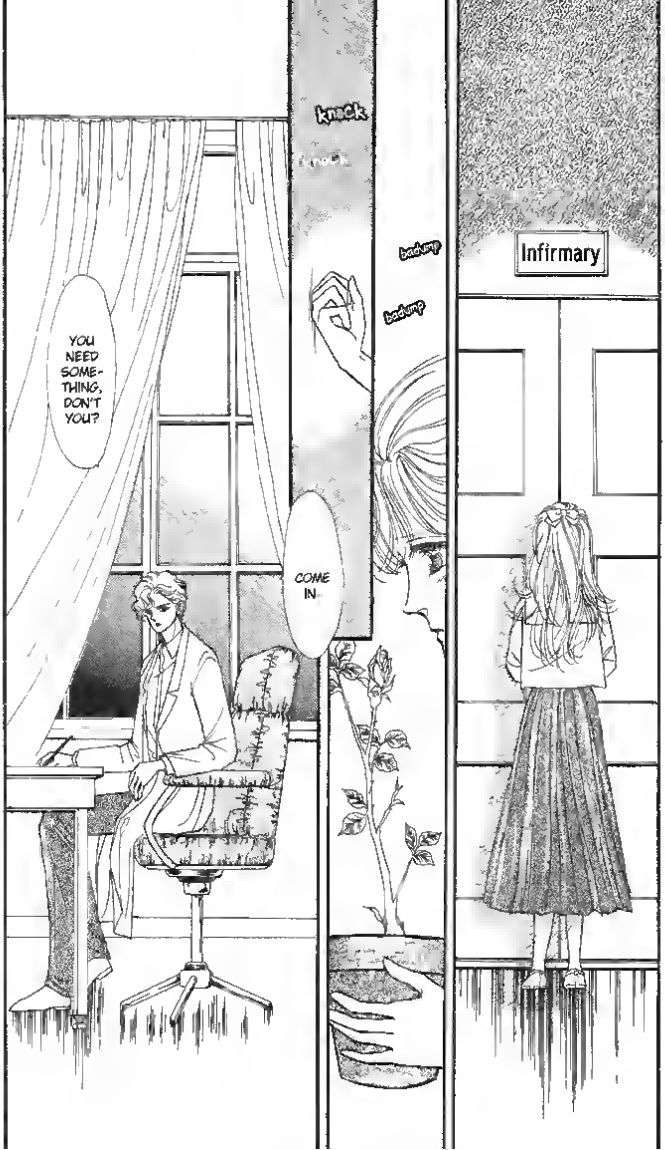
OH, TAKAMURA-SENSEI?
THEY SAY HE'S A DISTANT RELATIVE OF THE DIRECTOR OR SOMETHING
I WOULDN'T START A FUSS, IF I WERE YOU
GRR
BESIDES, YOU'RE ONLY A THREE-MONTH SUBSTITUTE TO BEGIN WITH, SO IT ISN'T REALLY YOUR PROBLEM.
GRR
MAYBE HE'S A DISTANT RELATIVE OF THE DIRECTOR, BUT
GRR
I WON'T ALLOW THAT KIND OF HIGH-HANDED BEHAVIOR!!
GRR
GRR
BAM
HEY! TAKAMURA! GIVE BACK MY STUDENTS!!
Infirmary
HERE?

Did- Did he take students from other classes too...?
AH, TOKIWA-SENSEI...
ARE YOU FEELING ILL AS WELL?
THAT'S... NO, THAT'S NOT IT! YOU'RE INDULGING THE STUDENTS TOO MUCH!
IF IT'S JUST SOMETHING SMALL, THEY SHOULD BEAR WITH IT AND GO TO CLASS--
WHA...
YOU'RE AWFULLY RIGID FOR ONE SO YOUNG, AREN'T YOU...
ARE YOU SAYING...
THAT I SHOULD IGNORE THE PAIN OF THESE FRAGILE SCHOOL-GIRLS?
YES! THAT'S RIGHT! GIRLS' BODIES ARE DELICATE, YOU KNOW!
AND WHEN YOU'RE FEELING BAD, STUDYING IS A LOT HARDER...

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE THE ONE LACKING IN DELICACY, TOKIWA-SENSEI.
TAKAMURA-SENSEI IS FINE ON THAT POINT AND KIND, AND GOOD-LOOKING—
LIKE A HOLY ANGEL IN A WHITE COAT. ♡
THAT'S RIGHT! THEY'VE GOT THE SAME WHITE COAT. BUT HE AND TOKIWA-SENSEI ARE LIKE NIGHT AND DAY. AREN'T THEY
TOKIWA-SENSEI'S WHITE COAT KINDA SMELLS LIKE CHEMICALS, DON'T YOU THINK—?
SOME-HOW, THIS GUY—
REALLY GETS ON MY NERVES!!

IS SOMETHING WRONG?
EH? OH UMM...
AH, YOU'RE THE ONE WHO ALWAYS PUTS THE FLOWERS ON THE PLATFORM KAWAMURA-KUN FROM CLASS 3, ISN'T IT?
TOKIWA-SENSEI
I CAN'T DECIDE WHETHER THE OPEN FLOWER OR THE BUD WOULD BE BETTER...
...IT'S THE FLOWERS THERE'S SOMEONE I WANT TO GIVE A PRESENT TO, BUT...
I'D FEEL BAD FOR THE FLOWER IF I CUT IT, SO...
I WANT TO TAKE IT IN THE POT, BUT...

HMM, LET ME THINK...
I KNOW, I KNOW
THE POT WITH THE BUD MIGHT BE BETTER, I THINK...
THAT'S NOT...
N-- NO... THAT'S NOT IT!
A PRESENT HEH-HEH FOR YOUR BOYFRIEND, THEN?
I THOUGHT SO, TOO!
THE BUD...!!


knock
knock
backup
backup
Infirmary
COME IN
YOU NEED SOMETHING, DON'T YOU?

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GOOD MORNING!
clatter
clatter
HM?
NOW FOR ATTEN-DANCE
clatter
PRES-ENT
murmur
IS KAWA-MURA ABSENT TODAY?
WHAT HAPPENED!? COMPARED TO YESTERDAY, SHE'S AN ENTIRELY DIFFER-ENT PERSON
KAWA-MURA!?

THEIR EYES SEEM SOMEHOW VACANT
THAT GIRL AND THAT ONE
IT ISN'T JUST KAWAMURA
DON'T WASTE TIME WITH NONSENSE HURRY AND START THE LESSON, PLEASE
SEN-SEI!!
AH, SPEAKING OF THAT, YESTERDAY WAS YOUR FAVORITE--
I BET YOU STAYED UP LATE LAST NIGHT WATCHING TV OR SOMETHING, DIDN'T YOU
WHA-- WHAT'S WRONG SHIMADA? YOU'RE NOT VERY ENERGETIC TODAY--
OF COURSE
OF

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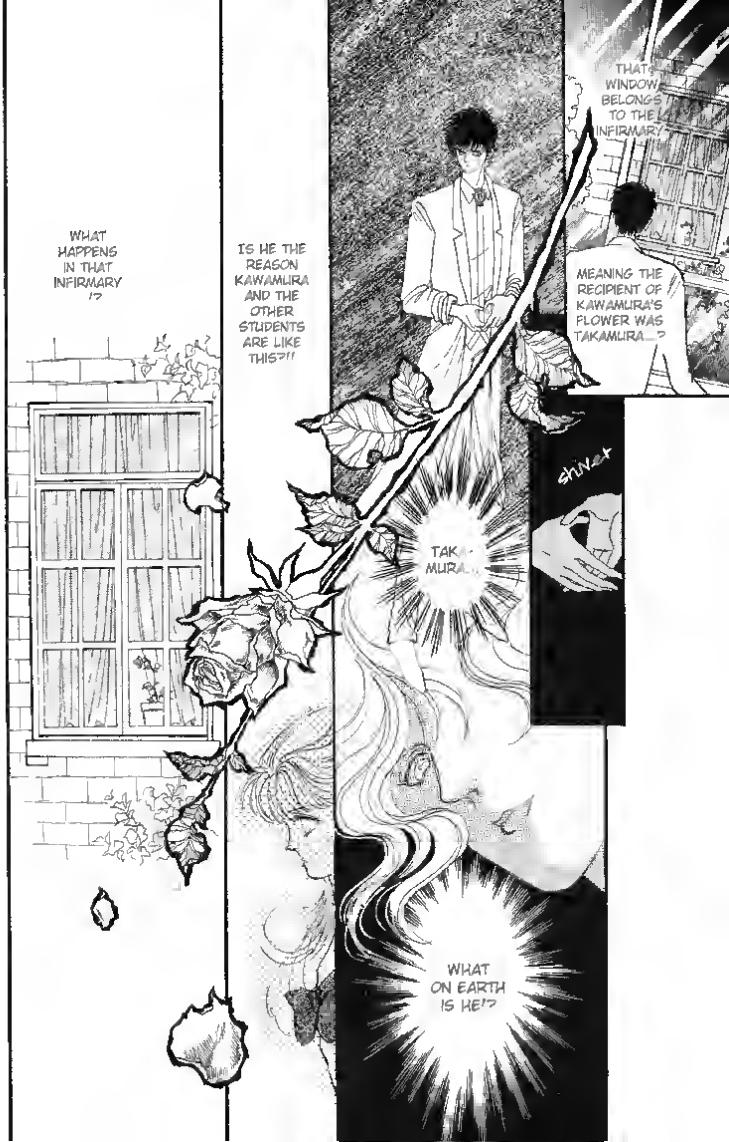
STUDENTS WITH LIFELESS EYES
WHAT ON EARTH HAS HAPPENED HERE?
KAWAMURA AND SHIMADA— MORE AND MORE STUDENTS ARE BECOMING LIKE THEM.
IF ANYTHING THEIR GRADES ARE BETTER THAN BEFORE
THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYTHING WRONG WITH THEIR BODIES

BUT WHEN I FIRST MET THEM, THESE GIRLS...
...TWITTERED LIKE SONGBIRDS...
...BLOSSOMED LIKE FLOWERS.
WHERE DID ALL THAT SCHOOLGIRL CHEERFULNESS DISAPPEAR TO?
IT'S ALMOST AS THOUGH THEIR SOULS HAVE BEEN DRAINED AWAY
THAT'S KAWAMURA'S FLOWER...!?


THAT WINDOW BELONGS TO THE INFIRMARY.
MEANING THE RECIPIENT OF KAWAMURA'S FLOWER WAS TAKAMURA...?
shiver
TAK- MURA...
WHAT ON EARTH IS HE!?
IS HE THE REASON KAWAMURA AND THE OTHER STUDENTS ARE LIKE THIS?!!
WHAT HAPPENS IN THAT INFIRMARY !?

!!
TAKA...
CRACK
...!?
DAMN IT I'LL CATCH HIM RED-HANDED SOON...

... THIS IS...
KYAA! TOKIWA-SENSEI!?
AH OKAY
RIGHT. LET ME SEE
EVEN YOU'RE CLUMSY, HUH, SENSEI?
OH, NO! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
SOMEYA
thud
thud
HUH?
EH-HE-HEH? I WANT TO BECOME A NURSE OR A HEALTH TEACHER.
OH YOU'RE SKILLED, AREN'T YOU
dab

I DON'T HAVE ONE SAVING GRACE... BUT YOU KNOW—
YOU KNOW, I— I'M NOT TOO SMART, AND I'M AWKWARD;
SOMEYA. HE'S... TAKAMURA IS...!
clack
TAKA-MURA'S ?
WELL, AND I WANT TO BECOME TAKAMURA-SENSEI'S ASSISTANT...
SOMEYA !?
WHEN I— WHEN I HELP OUT TAKA-MURA-SENSEI ...
JUST BEING BESIDE HIM IS ENOUGH FOR ME
WHAT WHITE-COATED ANGEL?!!
I'LL UNMASK HIM!
IT'S— NO-THING
SENSEI, WHAT?
SOMEYA... TAKAMURA IS...
EH...

Infirmary
click
click
-- AND THAT'S DONE
THIS WAY TAKAMURA-SENSEI WILL FEEL GOOD WHEN HE USES THEM TOMORROW, TOO ♡
slip
SE... SEN-SEI...
badump
click
AH... NO, THIS IS JUST...
YOU'RE ALWAYS SUCH A HARD WORKER, AREN'T YOU
... TA-TAK-MURA-SENSEI!!

CRASH!
BAAAM
wobble
THAT'S FAR ENOUGH, TAKAMURA!!

THE FACT THAT THEY OFFERED WAS THE RESULT OF MY HARD WORK, BUT STILL
WELL...
I ONLY TOOK WHAT THE GIRLS THEMSELVES OFFERED ME
...AND I DIDN'T TAKE THEIR ENTIRE SOULS
I TOOK ONLY THEIR EMOTIONS OF 'LOVING SOMETHING'
YOU CAN'T SAY THAT I 'STOLE' ANYTHING
THAT'S HOW YOU ROBBED KAWAMURA AND THE OTHERS OF THEIR SOULS, ISN'T IT!
YOU SOUL-DEVOURING MONSTER! SHOW YOUR REAL FORM!!
ESPECIALLY STILL TIGHTLY FURLED
IN THE GUISE OF APOKATION
SOFT, SWEET
FIRST LOVE
IS THE MOST AMBROSIAL

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AND I SEEM TO HAVE REMOVED SOME OF YOUR OBSTACLES, TOKIWA-SENSEI!
THEY STUDY HARD...
WITH NO IDLE THOUGHTS...
TO YOU TEACHERS
ISN'T THIS MORE CONVENIENT?
DON'T MAKE JOKES!
LIVING WITHOUT LOVING SOMEONE... LIVING LIKE THAT IS THE SAME AS DEATH!
...EVEN IF I HAVE TO USE FORCE, YOU WILL RETURN THOSE STUDENTS' SOULS

KAWA-
MURA!?
SHIMADA
...!!
.....
COWARD—
USING STUDENTS
AS A SHIELD IS
WHOOSH

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!!
GURGL
GRRR
...YOU...
TOKIYA.
WITH YOUR SHIELD GONE, THERE'S NOTHING FOR ME TO FEAR!
YOU'RE NO ORDINARY TEACHER, ARE YOU!!
...I WONDER ABOUT THAT...
HYOOH

TUG
HEH HE...
I WON'T JUST TAKE YOUR SOUL...
TUG
YOUR BLOOD, YOUR MEAT...
drag
I'LL EAT YOU DOWN TO THE BONES!
GOOD CLOSER...
CLOSER...
THUD
clatter
SQUEEZE
... AND FINISH YOU THAT WAY
I'LL STICK THIS INTO YOUR THROAT...
!?
STAGGER
SOMEYA!?

SOMEYA!!
I WON'T
I WON'T LET YOU KILL TAKAMURA-SENSEI
LOOK AT HIM! AT HIS TRUE FORM
Drag
NO MATTER HOW UGLY HE IS
OR HOW BAD A PERSON HE IS...
I WON'T FORGIVE ANYONE
WHO HURTS TAKAMURA-SENSEI
SOMEYA!!
Grip
I'LL KILL THEM !!

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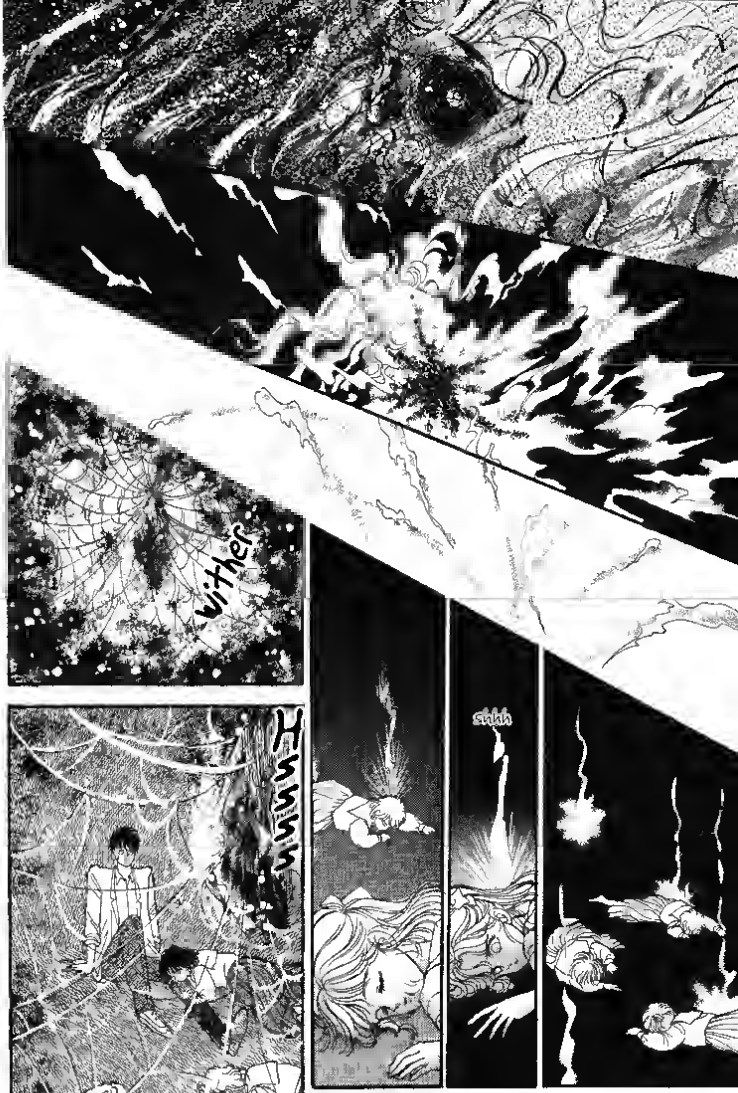
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shhh
HSSSS

I HOPE THAT...

...YOUR FIRST LOVE...

BECOMES SWEET...

...BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES...

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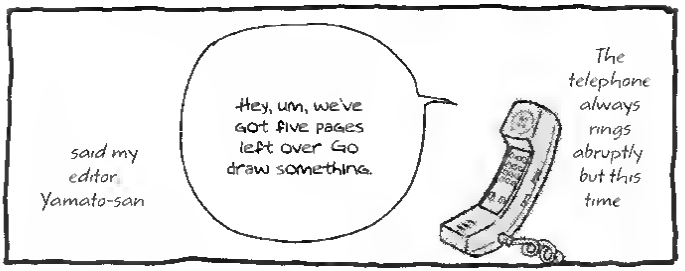

said my editor Yamato-san
Hey, um, we've got five pages left over Go draw something.
The telephone always rings abruptly but this time

And as for modest pleasures I like it when commercials with cats in them come on during pre-recorded TV programs

On top of that there haven't been any outstanding events in my daily routine lately

and I have no geeky hobbies I can introduce to my readers

But I'm no good with video games

Listen I'm right in the middle of making a name for myself you know? What am I supposed to do if Apple Mystery drops my manuscript because of these five pages?
Ah- Hiya I'm Akino
I wrote this book Nice to meet you
Sniff
It feels like my only pleasure is when I (occasionally) get two almonds on one "Almond 21"**
Oral Report
(**Those rice-cracker thingies with cheese and almonds on top of 'em)

It's kinda cliche, but...

CHARACTER INTRODUCTION CORNER

Mm, well, this guy's the hero of our story, Tokiwa-sensei

Name: Tokiwa Kanenari

Gender: Male (probably)

Height: 178 centimeters (**About 5'9")

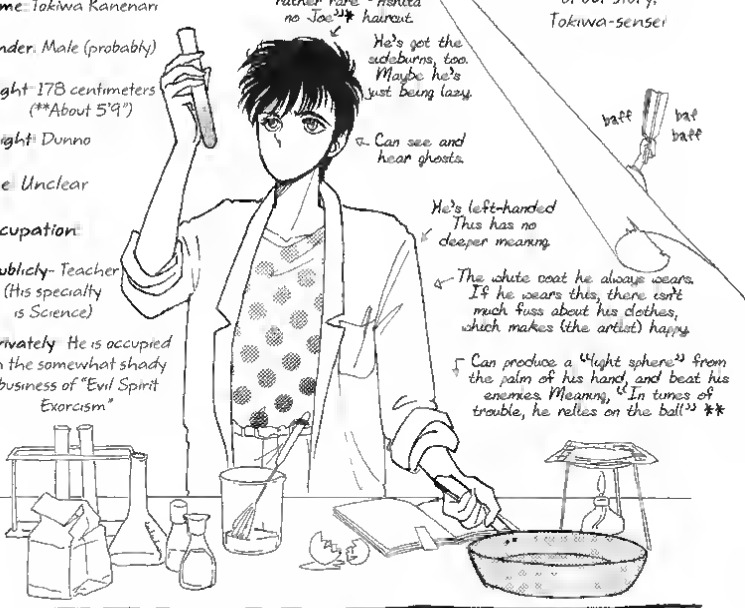
Weight: Dunno

Age: Unclear

Occupation:

Publicly: Teacher (His specialty is Science)

Privately: He is occupied in the somewhat shady business of "Evil Spirit Exorcism"


Nowadays, he's got a rather rare "Ashita no Joe"* haircut.
He's got the sideburns, too. Maybe he's just being lazy.
Can see and hear ghosts.
He's left-handed. This has no deeper meaning.
The white coat he always wears. If he wears this, there isn't much fuss about his clothes, which makes (the artist) happy.
Can produce a "light sphere" from the palm of his hand, and beat his enemies. Meaning, "In times of trouble, he relies on the ball" **
baff
bat
baff

Which probably showed up in the mildness of the first setting, but I don't care. To begin with, the hero's name is "Tokiwa Kanenari" ("Time is money"), so you can tell the story's going to be kinda random

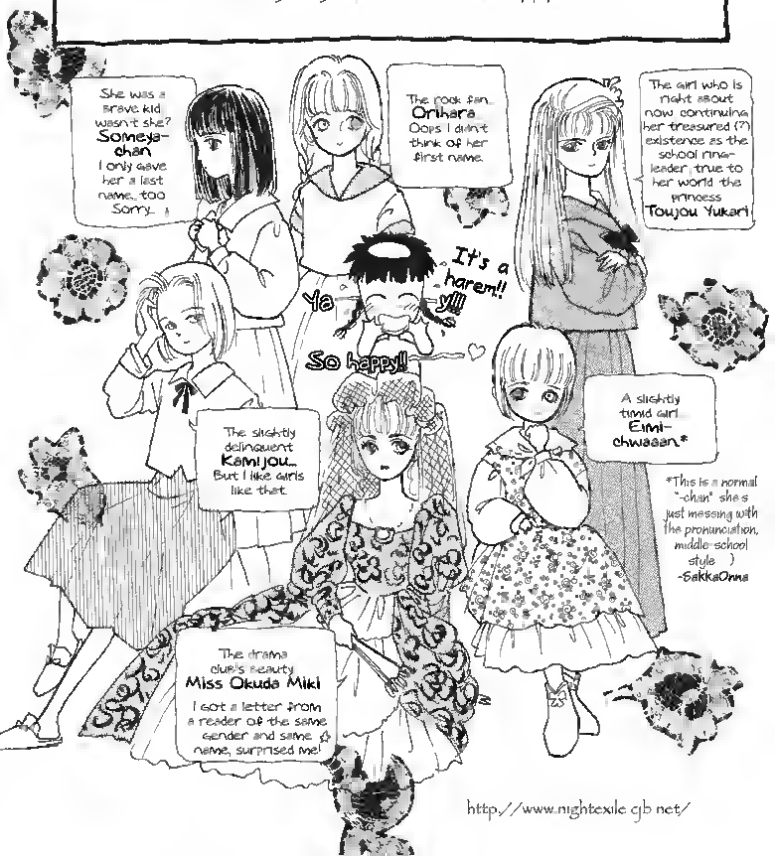
So I know nothing about that sort of thing, and I doubt I'll want to know about it in future, either.

Because of this comic, I went back and re-read the first story, and I was really startled!! That spell he used when he sealed the dragon-god!! I'm sure, when I wrote that, I just picked likely-looking characters out of a Sanskrit dictionary and stuck them together. You'd think someone who wrote horror manga would read a lot of occult literature and watch lots of horror movies, right?

*"Ashita no Joe" it's an older manga that's pretty famous. -SakkaOnna

**This is a pun. The original phrase is "konatta tokini kamidanomi" meaning, "In times of trouble rely on God" but she's changed the "kami" for "tama." I can't for the life of me find a pun that works both in the context and in English. *Sigh* -SakkaOnna

Speaking of names. I had to think up the names of the girls who appeared in every story, and I couldn't even make things easier by borrowing acquaintances' names...because if their character suddenly died on the second page of the story they might think it was some kind of omen and get mad at me. I also had to try hard to make sure their hair styles and uniforms were as different as possible. But they were all good girls, so Akino-san is happy.


She was a brave kid, wasn't she? Someya-chan. I only gave her a last name, too. Sorry...!
The rock fan, Orihara. Oops! I didn't think of her first name.
The girl who is right about now continuing her treasured (?) existence as the school nine-leader, true to her world the princess Toujou Yukari.
It's a harem!!
Ya
Yiii!
So happy!!
The slightly delinquent Kamijou. But I like girls like that.
A slightly timid girl. Emi-chwaaan*
*This is a normal "-chan" she's just messing with the pronunciation, middle-school style.) -SakkaOnna
The drama club's beauty, Miss Okuda Miki. I got a letter from a reader of the same gender and same name, surprised me!

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Ah- Come to think of it, the hag-faced Nightmare demon and the Bee-fossil-kun were there too weren't they.
How rumbers rools ing
I don't think he did anything really bad, and he was still caught by that sad excuse for a spell Dragon-God-sama
The incompetent spider-man Takamura-sensei Man he was nasty
Star (Satellite)
This person actually DOES have a model who, you ask? Well ♡ that's a S-E-C-R-E-T (Lower-middle-class Akino, who is afraid of criticism from said individual's fans.) ♪
Ah Th s guy was an actual human
The rock vocalist Shouya-kun. His strong point is frivolous MC patter
I keep hearing that my male characters keep turning out to be monsters, but I don't have a specific model Really
RPG Novel ~ A Legend of Light and Darkness ~ "The Village of Twilight Epurvel", 580 yen. Look out for this one, too, please.
Noooo! Too greedy!
Soo soo cool
Dammit! I don't care I'll DIE before I draw nipples!
You've GOT to draw a shower scene, okay? I don't care about anything else, as long as there's a shower scene.
Is this a type of sexual harrassment!?
This Week's Law
As I thought, all the villains must be gorgeous.
~Akino
Ah I broke it!♪
Actually I wanted to draw a shower-scene with two girls!
Would you never let go of my hand please?
Paal
Rui
By the way, the other day, Akino was drawing the illustrations for an RPG novel, but her editor Yamato-san forced her to draw a shower-scene for the guy who was the hero-
Er o k I think I can overlook the yuriness here cause it came from Akino-sense! *weeps* T___T -ScarletxD

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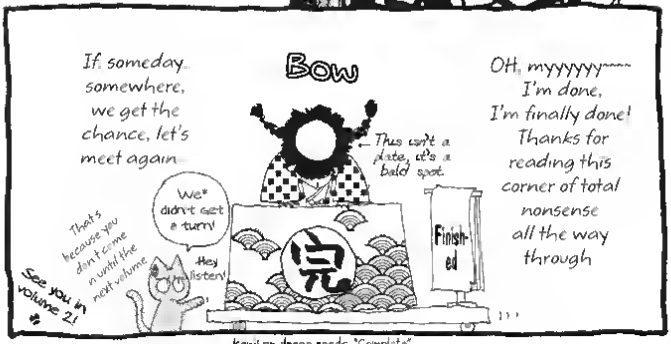
Even after reading the profile, you really didn't understand what this man is, did you

The mysteries only deepened (Possibly only because the artist couldn't think of anything)

Maybe... Under that sulky forelock is another eye? (Laughs) Maybe he's really an alien...!?

Well, whichever it is, it looks like we won't be directly confronting this person any time soon, so, readers, please bear with me



Kanji on drape reads "Complete"

*"Yo" as "I" is only used by kings and such so it's "royal speak" Fahmut (the cat) uses it all the time and the "royal we" is the only equivalent I can think of -SakkaOnna